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MEETING OF STATE GRANGE.

The Organization Scores the Secretary of Agriculture.

The most important feature of the meeting of the State Grange at Johnstown was the report of the legislative committee. The committee consisted of W. F. Hill, Hampton W. Rice, Leonard Rhone, Louis Piolett, Wm. T. Creasy. The report favors the election of United States senators by a direct vote of the people, extending the powers of the interstate commerce commission, further extension of rural free mail delivery and such other matters as are herein outlined.

The tendency of the ship subsidy measure if passed will be to lessen the price of our agricultural products, yet we are called upon to help foster this industry while we are already being plundered by unjust tax laws, and robbed by trusts and combinations which conspire arbitrarily to control prices of what the farmer buys and sells.

The western irrigation scheme will cause the expenditure of hundreds of millions of dollars principally to enrich the private land speculation ; will increase competition and depreciation of eastern farms.

In oleo legislation, the committee says, they unfortunately were confronted with the bitter opposition of the secretary of agriculture, who stood with the oleo combination, and notwithstanding the testimony of an oleo dealer before a committee of the legislature that he sold 4,000,000 pounds of colored oleo, the secretary was immovable in his determination to prevent the passage of the bill. So notorious was this opposition that mention was made of it in ridicule by many of the leading agricultural and daily papers. The pouring in of hundreds of petitions from the granges and farmers of the state over whelmed the opposition and caused the powers that be to acquiesce in the passage of the law which is now upon our statute books. But with unwilling and incompetent public officials the best law can not be enforced. The agricultural department needs a thorough overhauling. The incompetent and incapable as well as those who are not in sympathy with the great agricultural interest of the state should be dismissed from service.

The committee urges the passage of the Grout bill taxing colored oleo ten cents per pound, and asks speaker Henderson of the House to subsitute for Mr. Wardsworth, the oleo advocate of New York, a man favorable to the dairy interests.

The committee placed itself unalterably opposed to any road legislation that would not tax all kinds of property for road purposes ; also opposed placing the roads under a centralized state commission or any scheme that would fasten upon the farmers, county and townships bonds that would be a burden upon the agricultural class, for the next century.

In the contest over the Taggart Grange Tax bill in 1891 the Grange secured an increase from the state of $4,500,000 for the public schools, making a total annual appropriation of $5,500,000. In the same year they secured a return from the state to the counties of three-fourths of the personal property tax, which now amounts to $2,300,000. It also, the same year, secured from the state to the counties and townships the entire retail liquor licenses now amounting to $3,500,000, thus making an annual saving to the local tax payers of $11,300,000.

The committee urged the State Grange to take a new departure in forcing a more equitable method of collecting local and state revenues. We would urge the procedure by injunction, through the courts, instructing the county commissioners and boards of revision of taxes of cities to assess the roadbeds of transportation companies as real estate, taking into consideration the value that the rails and rolling stock give to the land occupied, taking the entire value of the property as reported to the state government for taxation and apportion it per mile in each county and township as a basis for local taxation, then deducting the amount taxed locally before the the state levy is made.

The Grange would have a precedent in this under the Acts of 1858 and 1859, under which the terminals of transportation companies are taxed in the cities of Philadelphia and Pittsburg. And a more recent precedent in the case of the city of Scranton, levying a license tax of from 2 to 5 per cent upon the gross earnings of street railways, telephone and telegraph companies, steam, water and gas companies as well as transmission companies.

If cities have the power to levy taxes on corporate and personal property, for local purposes, then with equal propriety the county and local authorities should insist on similar

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The committee regretted that the present secretary of agriculture is wholly incompetent and too prejudiced to give even the actual farmer a respectful hearing of his grievance and burdened condition as shown in his own language by a letter of transmittal to the governor in the very able bulletin prepared by ex-Auditor General McCamant on the tax laws of Pennsylvania, in which the secretary characterized as "ignorant demagogues" those who have been foremost in bringing to public notice the facts as they exist.

As an organization the Grange in the future will insist and demand from the political powers that the departments of government created for the benefit of the agricultural interests shall be filled by competent, practical farmers who are in sympathy and harmony with the Grange and other agricultural organizations of the state, to the end that the best interests of the agricultural class of our commonwealth may be served.

The report of Secretary Aliman showed that 1,755 persons have been initiated into established granges during the year, 567 persons reinstated, and 504 charter members of new subordinate granges organized into 15 granges, while five dormant granges reorganized—a total of 2,826 new members. The number of subordinate granges is about 500.

Dr. Watson, professor of agriculture at State College, spoke of the equipment of that institution and showed the great lack of necessary buildings and apparatus. J. A. Herr of Clinton county also spoke on the subject.

Past Master Leonard Rhone was invested with the jewel and badge of the grange by the ceres in recognition of his services.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

Work for 1901 Finished Up Friday Afternoon Interesting Sessions.

Institute closed Friday afternoon. The sessions were enjoyed by teachers and spectators who went there with proper motives. The instructors were of the highest order, and if the teachers who sat under their instruction during the week were not vastly benefitted, it is no fault of the instructors.

The evening entertainments were entirely satisfactory to the large audiences that listened to them. Ex-Governor Taylor's lecture was unique from start to finish. He is entirely original, and borrows from no man. The music was superb.

The directors' meeting in the Y. M. C. A. room was largely attended. Papers were read by Hon. W. C. Heinle and Col. D. F. Fortney. Discussion was entered into by other directors.

D. F. Fortney, Esq., Capt. C. T. Fryberger and A. C. Williams were appointed a committee to select officers for the ensuing year and also choose five delegates to the next State convention and made the following report:

President, Hon. Wm. K. Alexander; vice presidents, Osmer Muthersbaugh and B. F. Vonada; secretary and treasurer, H. C. Quigley; executive committee, J. L. Neff, W. S. Glenn, F. D. Hosterman, Cornelius Stover and Samuel Brugger; delegates to the State Convention, D. F. Fortney, S. W. Smith, W. C. Heinle, Wm. M. Allison and C. L. Gramley.

LOCAL ITEMS.

George Rinestone, of Millheim, died in that place Monday.

Hereafter the U. T. and T. exchange will be open all night.

The borough reservoir has been chock-full of water for the past week.

The Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company meets at Ruhkle's hotel today, Thursday.

Mrs. George Bradford, of Old Fort, was the guest of her brother, W. H. Bohn, in Penn township, over Sunday.

Philip Mersinger, of Joliet, Ill., writes that the weather is very cold in Illinois, mercury dropping 4 to 12 degrees below zero. There is good sleighing about Joliet.

L. W. Musser, of Walker township, announces his candidacy for superintendent of public schools of Centre county. Mr. Musser is a graduate of an Ohio State Normal and has had considerable experience in school work.

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Yeager & Davis.

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Yeager & Davis.

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Good mixture candy—next grade to the cheapest—7c. pound, at Swartz's.

TELEPHONE PATRONS KICK.

Telephone Renters are Displeased Because the Lines are Limited to Their Use Unless Extra Toll is Paid.

"The line is busy."

(The U. T. and T.) patrons hear the sweet words "the line is busy" with greater disgust than ever since the new ruling has been put into operation. The new ruling debars all persons not patrons of the U. T. and T. company from using its phones, unless a stipulated sum is paid. That sum is ten cents to talk from Centre Hall to Bellefonte, State College, Millheim, etc.

The telephone renters are indignant, and they have a right to be. The telephone renter does not rent a 'phone because he simply wants to talk to others who are paying the annual rental, but because he wants to put himself in possible communication with all persons at points connected by the U. T. and T. lines. Those were the conditions that made the Commercial telephone company popular, and it was under those conditions that Penns, Brush, Nittany Valleys, and the whole of Centre county were wired; it was because any body who had business with a U. T. and T. renter had the privilege to call him up and transact business that caused the hundreds of 'phones to be placed in the various parts of the county.

There are some thirty 'phones in Centre Hall. Thirty persons can use them to transact business with Bellefonte. There are several hundred 'phone renters in Bellefonte. Do you suppose those several hundred telephone renters have no business in Centre Hall except with the thirty renters here, or the reverse? No.

The fact is that nine-tenths of the business transacted by telephone renters is transacted with non-renters, and if the order to collect toll from the non-renters is enforced the number of 'phones will be materially reduced. The business man, in a business place, in a business way, maintains many conveniences for his customers; the telephone is one of these conveniences, and once the telephone ceases to be a convenience for his customers, and his customers are not permitted to even call him up to ask him to deliver goods, give the price of produce, grain or poultry, arrange meetings for consulting with reference to a law suit, engage him to perform a marriage ceremony, call him to the bed side of a sick wife or child, order a loaf of bread, publish a legal advertisement, there will be less need for telephones. The fact of the case is unless the order is rescinded, there will be a lot of wires stretched over portions of Centre county that will be useless unless used for clothes lines.

There is one class of telephone users that should be taxed, and they are the non-renters who talk to non-renters. Neither of these have privileges that belong to them, and should be taxed.

The new order to collect a toll was brought about by a general demand by patrons for better service. At least one-third the calls are answered by "the lines are busy," and it was thought by taking this plan of additional taxation, the use of the lines could be lessened. In other words the U. T. and T. company concluded that rather than give its patrons sufficient lines to properly handle the "talk-traffic," it would reduce the "traffic;" a bright idea on the part of the company.

W. P. Shoop Very Ill.

W. P. Shoop, of Scranton, according to message received by his brother Samuel Shoop, in this place, is very ill with bright's disease. Mr. Shoop for many years was a resident of this place, and was connected with the Centre Hall foundry.

Boalsburg.

Mrs. T. Mothersbaugh spent several days last week among friends in Lemont.

Charles Shirk and Sadie Meyer spent last Thursday with friends in Bellefonte.

Messrs. Elmer Ishler and Wm. Meyer spent Tuesday at the county seat.

Mrs. Wm. Goheen spent last Wednesday with friends in Pine Grove Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meyer, of Roopsburg, Sunday were the guests of Mr. Meyer's invalid mother, who has been confined to the house with rheumatism for the past twenty years.

Arthur Kimport, of Bellefonte, circulated among his friends in this place Friday.

Rev. D. E. Hepler, of Lemont, visited at the home of S. H. Bailey on Monday.

The Christmas entertainment in the Reformed church will be held Wednesday evening, 25th.

Order your stove if you want a good one, from C. P. Long.

Yeager & Davis, shoes—Bellefonte.

DEATHS.

MRS. MARY GOODHART.

Mrs. Mary Goodhart, widow of Samuel Goodhart, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Harvey Mark, at Salona, Tuesday night, of consumption. Mrs. Goodhart had been ailing for over a year, having had several hemorrhages and a slight paralytic stroke during the past six months, but was not considered seriously ill until the last week, when she was seized with chills, and died at the time mentioned.

Mrs. Goodhart's maiden name was Mary Miller; her husband was a brother of Mrs. John Dauberman, of this place. She, with her children, removed from Hublersburg to this place about ten years ago, where they resided until two years ago, when she removed to Salona with her daughter. She is survived by two children, Miller Goodhart, of this place, and Mrs. Harvey Mark, of Salona, her husband having died many years ago. She was a faithful, christian lady and a member of the Reformed church. Interment was made at Hublersburg.

MRS HANNAH KATHERMAN.

Hannah, wife of Hiram Katherman, of Laurelton, died at the Williamsport hospital on Thursday of last week, aged forty-seven years. She had undergone a critical operation more than a week before her death, and seemed to be gradually improving, when she suddenly took a relapse and the end came. The remains were taken to her home at Laurelton, funeral services being held on Wednesday morning. Rev. Heckman, of Lock Haven, assisted by Rev. Brenneman, of the Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member, conducted the services; interment was made in the cemetery at Lincoln Chapel.

The deceased was a daughter of Josiah Showalter, deceased, of Glen Iron, and is survived by her husband, one son, Clarence, of near Laurelton, and one daughter, Laura, at home, and the following brothers and sisters: Wesley, of Hartleton; Samuel, of Cowan; William and Mrs. David Zeller, of Glen Iron; Mrs. Cyrus Durst, of Boalsburg, and Mrs. James P. Grove, of Farmers Mills. The casket was almost covered with beautiful white roses and carnations.

JOHN M. PARKER.

John M. Parker, a prominent and well known citizen of Roland, Centre county, passed away at his home in that place Friday evening at twelve minutes past ten of pneumonia, after an illness of only a few days.

Deceased was born in Jersey Shore and was fifty years of age last October. He was the son of A. T. Parker, of Jersey Shore. After marriage he located at Roland where he became quite successful as a business man. For a long time he was station agent for the Pennsylvania Railroad company at Roland. He was also in the mercantile business, was Postmaster and Justice of the Peace at the same place. He was prominently identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Surviving him, says the Daily News, are his wife and the following children : Mrs. W. Galer Morrison, of Bellefonte ; Mrs. Rebecca Glenn, of Howard ; Kate, Trude and Paul, at home. His father and mother and five sisters and one brother also survive, namely : Mrs. H. M. Bidwell, of Bellefonte ; Mrs. Oliver Glosser, of Linden ; Mrs. Eva Snyder, Kate, Martha and William, of Jersey Shore.

The funeral took place Monday afternoon. Interment at Jersey Shore.

MRS. JOHN HOUSMAN.

One of the most aged ladies of Gregg township died Saturday, after an illness of some weeks superinduced by old age. She had been ill more or less for the past year, having reached the advanced age of eighty-three years. Her maiden name was Willowman. She was the mother of the following children who survive her: Samuel Housman, Esq., Tusseyville ; Charles Housman, at home ; John W. Housman, Millheim ; Mrs. Jane Baney, of Howard.

Deceased was a member of the United Evangelical Association for upwards of sixty years. The funeral which took place Tuesday was conducted by the pastor of that organization.

RICHARD THOMPSON.

Richard Thompson, a young man just beginning an active career, was accidentally killed by falling off a beam into cog-wheels, while working for the Westinghouse electric company, Pittsburg. The accident occurred last week, and Thursday his remains were sent to his home at Jacksonville, where interment took place the day following, Friday. The young man was a son of B. Frank Thompson, of Beech Creek, and was almost twenty-three years of age.

FATHER AND SON INJURED.

Andrew Jordon Broke His Leg by a Fall.—His Son's Leg Crushed in Ship Yard.

The Reporter's Colyer correspondent gives an account of the misfortunes of Andrew Jordon, of near that place, and his son William, of Camden, both of whom are at present nursing seriously injured lower limbs.

Wm. Jordon, the son of Andrew Jordon, was employed in a ship yard at Camden, New Jersey, and a short time ago met with an accident which crushed a portion of his lower limb. He was taken to the hospital and recovered sufficiently that he could walk about on crutches. His longing for the old home and family circle induced him to return to Colyer at the earliest opportunity, and Saturday he reached his destination.

Sunday morning Andrew Jordon met with a similar accident. While performing his chores at the barn he accidentally fell and broke the bone in one of his legs near the thigh. The fracture was reduced by Dr. C. E. Emerick, and the patient is getting along as well as can be expected.

Reed—Alexander.

The marriage of Miss Grace Alexander and George K. Reed took place at Sacramento, California, on 11th instant, the time set by the young couple. On reaching Denver, the bride-to-be encountered a wicked snow storm that threatened to interfere with the arrangements previously planned, but her train was the first to reach the Pacific coast.

The ceremony was performed by a Presbyterian minister, and was witnessed by Wm. Buckhout, a classmate of both bride and groom. The day following the ceremony, Mr. and Mrs. Reed proceeded to Keswick, where a newly furnished cottage awaited them.

As previously stated, Mr. Reed is employed by the Mountain Copper Company, and has under his supervision the assaying department in which five others are engaged.

LOCALS.

C. F. Deininger last week went to Pittsburg.

Broken stick candy, 6c. per pound at Swartz's.

Spinsters' Reunion in Grange Arcadia Saturday night. Don't miss it.

Mrs. Maggie Raudenbush, Pleasant Gap, is the guest of Mrs. Lizzie Jacobs.

Measles are interfering with the schools in Aaronsburg and Rebersburg.

John Spicher, of this place, killed a hog that dresses 422 pounds. Pretty good for a "town" hog.

Mrs. Charles Ramsey, of Pleasant Gap, is seriously ill with rheumatism. Mrs. Ramsey, nee Kemp, was formerly of Centre Hill.

Meyer & Musser come before the Reporter readers with an advertisement inviting customers to examine their Christmas goods before buying.

James S. Swabb, the youngest son of Mrs. James Swabb, of Aaronsburg, has enlisted in the navy. He is now on the training ship, Franklin, at Norfolk, Va.

Nora Thomas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Thomas, of near this place, is suffering from a second attack of appendicitis, and is receiving attention from Dr. Park.

O. T. Corman, of Spring Mills, one of the new advertisers this week, and the Reporter readers will do well by carefully looking over his adv. and following the suggestions made in it.

Jacob Ripka, who is one of the oldest residents of Centre Hall, came around last week to pay his subscription in advance. Mr. Ripka saw the greater part of Centre Hall spring into existence during his residence here.

Lyman L. Smith, who had been ill with pneumonia for the past week, is greatly improved, and will soon be able to call on you in the interest of one of the best nurseries in the U. S. Keep back your orders until he gets well.

The following, a mystery to some and plain to others, appeared in the Mifflinburg Times : Mr. Clyde Boyer was up to Linden Hall Wednesday night. It is somewhat early for Christmas gifts, but operators can't get a day just when they want it, so Maude will not have to wait until Christmas to tell the time of day.

Prof. C. E. Zeigler, of Penn Hall, sold a fine Century Grand piano to Perry Breon, west of Centre Hall, for the use of his daughter, Bessie. The "music box" was a complete surprise to Bessie, who was at school when the instrument was brought to her home. Good old Santa was a little early in bestowing his gift, but that frequently occurs.

A nice line of Gents gloves at
C. P. Long's.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

HAPPENINGS OF LOCAL INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS.

Christmas next Wednesday.

No one can afford to spell "ingrate" with a capital.

Cold weather for December, Mercury well knows the way to zero.

That telephone order is being met by hot opposition and may be hotter by the first of January.

Miss Blanche Heckman is up from Sunbury stopping with her brother-in-law, Landlord J. S. Reish, of Potters Mills.

Mrs. F. O. Bairfoot, Misses Florence Love and Anna Lutz will spend the Christmas season in Philadelphia.

Ed. Nearhood quit the firm of Potter & Hoy and is in the shoe store of Yeager & Davis. If you want to see Nearhood, that's where you will find him.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Luse were in Bellefonte Thursday. Although Mr. Luse was a school teacher his going to the county seat was on other business than attending institute.

Samuel Guisewhite, of Bellefonte, has been granted a pension of $8 00 per month ; Simon Bathurst, of Roland, $6 00 a month and George W. Baisor, of Waddle's $8.00 per month.

The family of Dr. J. E. Ward, of Bellefonte, is afflicted the second time with scarlet fever. The younger son just recovered from the disease, and now the elder brother, Arthur, is ill.

Dr. Samuel Woods, whose home is in Boalsburg, has changed his location from the Warren Hospital to Sharon, Pa., where he will begin to practice his profession on his own hook.

Mr. and Mrs. James B. Strohm, of Centre Hill, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of their marriage Thursday evening, December 26th. A number of invitations have been sent out for the occasion.

Mrs. Cyrus Durst, of Boalsburg, and Mrs. James P. Grove, east of Centre Hall, attended the funeral of Mrs. Catherman, at Laurelton, last week. The deceased was the mother of the ladies mentioned.

D. Earl Fleming, of this place, who is teaching a public school at Wingate, will spend Christmas week with his brother Malcolm Fleming, in Baltimore, where the latter is engaged in the tailoring business.

Rev. Isaac Book, of Warble, Juniata county, while feeding his horse was attacked by the animal, thrown down and trampled upon. His left leg was broken near the knee joint, the skin torn off from the knee to the ankle and the other leg badly bruised.

Cards of invitation are out announcing the marriage of Miss Anna Estella Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith, of Millmont, and Rev. Dorsey Newton Miller, of Mill Hall, at the home of the bride's parents, Wednesday, December 25th, at twelve o'clock noon.

Walter M. Kerlin Saturday of last week went to Philadelphia where he hopes to secure permanent employment. Mr. Kerlin is a young man who can be trusted by any one who has a position to fill requiring his qualifications, which by the way, are above those of the ordinary young man.

A Sunbury preacher's wife, who is suing for divorce, paralyzed the gentleman of the cloth when, through her attorneys, she presented a snap-shot picture showing her husband at a camp meeting in company with three young ladies who were "stroking his whiskers." What a hair-rowing tale!

The funeral of W. L. Baker, of Mifflinburg, an account of whose death was given last week, was attended by a delegation of the Spring Mills Castle, K. G. E., Supervisor Stoughton and the track foremen from Lemont, Linden Hall, Centre Hall, Rising Springs, Coburn, Paddy Mountain.

A man and wife in Derry township, Mifflin county, circulated a report that a tramp who had small pox had been entertained by them. The Lewistown Democrat and Sentinel, upon investigation, found that the personal property of the party had been levied on, and that the scare was circulated with a view of keeping away buyers.

A conspicuous figure at the county institute was Superintendent Luse, of Williamsport, formerly of Philipsburg. Superintendent Luse has the most advanced ideas of school work, and favors enforcement of the compulsory school law by first putting the public schools in proper condition which would reduce the task to a minimum.

See our line of beautiful fancy dishes before purchasing your Christmas gifts. C. P. Long.

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HAY-PAUNCEFOTE TREATY RATIFIED

Only Mild Opposition Made in the Senate.

THE NEXT STEP TOWARD CANAL.

The Hay-Pauncefote Convention Ratified by a Vote of 72 to 6 After the Few Opponents to the Agreement Had Had an Opportunity to Air Their Objections to It—Senator Teller Criticises the State Department.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—By the decisive vote of 72 to 6 the United States Senate ratified the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, in which an agreement is entered into between Great Britain and the United States whereby the latter may construct an Isthmian canal.

The vote was taken after about two hours of debate in executive session, and after two amendments, one by Senator Charles Culberson, of Texas, and the other by Senator A. O. Bacon, of Georgia, had been proposed and voted down.

The six Senators who voted against the treaty are all Democrats. They are Senators Bacon; J. C. S. Blackburn, of Kentucky; Culberson; Stephen Mallory, of Flordia; Henry M. Teller, of Colorado, and Benjamin R. Tillman, of South Carolina. Two Democratic Senators were paired against the treaty, as follows: Joseph W. Bailey, of Texas, with Chauncey M. Depew, of New York, and Stephen B. Elkins, of West Virginia; Joseph L. Rawlins, of Utah, with Mark A. Hanna and William J. Sewell, of New Jersey. Four Senators not paired did not vote. They were Messrs. John W. Daniel, of Virginia, and Thos. S. Patterson, of Colorado, Democrats, and Matthew S. Quay, of Pennsylvania, and John P. Jones, of Nevada, Republicans. The remainder of the Senate voted for the treaty.

The next step to be taken by the Government in the direction of constructing the canal will be the ratification of treaties with the Governments of Costa Rica and Nicaragua, giving the United States the right of way through Central America. It is expected there will be little difficulty in securing such a right. Congress must also pass a bill authorizing the construction of the canal.

ANARCHISTS DEFY PRESIDENT.

An Inflammatory Open Letter From Leaders of Chicago Society.

Chicago (Special).—Open letters and manifestos addressed to President Roosevelt, in which defiance and disrespect are plainly set forth, are now being resorted to by the Chicago anarchists who were arrested at the time of the assassination of President McKinley.

At a conference of anarchist leaders of different cities in Illinois it was decided that a general manifesto should be issued. The advance of the general appeal came in the last issue of the Free Society of Abraham Isaak and his coworkers. It is an open letter, signed by Abraham Isaak, Jr., extending over a page of the anarchist sheet and addressed to President Roosevelt.

Discussing the President's message to Congress, it tells the President that to be logical "you should consider yourself as one of the first subjects to emigrate to the island."

"Neither your prisons nor penal colonies," it continues, "will stop the onward march of our ideas. Even if you did report to the most barren rocks the adherents of anarchism do not think that the dial of progress can be turned back."

A TERRIBLE DEATH RATE.

Delayed Reports on Concentration Camps at Last Appear.

London, (By Cable).—The delay in the publication of the October and November returns from the South African concentration camps, which were just issued, was apparently due to the government's desire to accompany the announcement of the pitiable high death rate with some kind of official explanation.

A blue book now issued shows 3,156 deaths of whites in October, of which number 2,623 were children. There were 2,807 deaths of whites in November, of whom 2,271 were children. This makes the total number of deaths for the last six months 13,941, or a death rate approximating 253 per year per 1,000. Among the Kaffirs there were 1,308 deaths in two months.

The blue book also contains the Government's plans for breaking up the camps, and reports by medical officers, blaming the death rate on the "filthy habits of the Boers," the concealment of deseases, the feeding of babies on meat, heavy dough bread and stewed black coffee and the admission to the camps of half-starved refugees riddled with disease. In one instance a batch of "refugees" brought in consisted of eight dying persons and three dead bodies.

Rich But Nearly Starved.

Atlantic City, N. J. (Special.)—Mrs. Sophie Miller, aged 87 years, of North Texas avenue, reputed to be worth $50,000, fell two weeks ago and broke one of her legs. She was discovered by school children who went into her little store to buy candy two days after. She was nearly frozen and starved to death. Mrs. Miller has been in the free ward of the City Hospital since then, and she is steadily improving. She constantly bemoans the fact, however, that when she fell she broke her heart, and no one can dispel this illusion.

Bank Robbers Steal $35,000.

Louisville, Ky., (Special).—Word was received here that the Bank of Sturgis, at Sturgis, Ky., was robbed of $35,000 between midnight and dawn. The work was done quietly, and nothing was known about the robbery until the bank was opened for business Friday morning. At the time of the theft the bank held the money which was to have been used in paying off the employees of the Treadwater Mining Company.

SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

Domestic.

Thousands of men have been thrown out of work by the floods in Pennsylvania, New York and New England. In the mining districts alone 18,000 men and boys are idle as the result of the flooded collieries. Hundreds of families are suffering from cold and exposure in their flooded homes. Three lives were lost and two persons will die from exposure in the flood at Tonawanda, Pa. The waters are receding and ice is forming. The railroads are still badly crippled. The freeze in the Southern States continues.

Park Benjamin, president of the Naval Arch Commission, which has charge of the proposed naval arch and water gate at the Battery, in New York, announced that the project has been temporarily given up. The arch and gate was to have cost $1,300,000, and $500,000 had been pledged.

Leading representatives of labor and capital met in conference in New York to discuss means of bringing about a better feeling between these two elements of industry.

Creditors of the defunct National Bank of Illinois sued the directors, charging their losses to the negligence and misconduct of the directors.

Two parties hunting burglars in Perry, Iowa, mistook one another for the thieves and blazed away. Three were wounded.

Joseph J. Novak became ill while on his way to catch a train at Ingleside Station, near St. Louis, and froze to death.

Carl Atheno, a hypnotist, awoke in Omaha after a six days' sleep, but went into another trance when confronted by an alleged deserted wife.

The American Federation of Labor, at Scranton, Pa., declared in favor of trade autonomy, but refused to indorse socialism. The old officers were re-elected.

Manufacturers of copper wire announced a reduction in prices that will average one cent a pound. Prices of brass are expected to fall this week.

From the estate of his uncle, Cornelius V. S. Roosevelt, the President will receive from $50,000 to $100,000.

In the convention of the American Federation of Labor the proposition to increase the number of vice-presidents from six to eight was defeated. A resolution instructing unions to hold aloof from State militia was tabled after sharp discussion. It was decided to increase the per capita tax of the unions; that of members of local unions from 5 cents to 10 cents, the increase of 5 cents a month to go to a defense fund.

The relations between President F. D. Underwood, of the Erie Railroad, and Chairman E. B. Thomas, of the board, are said to be greatly strained, and that they no longer speak to each other. Mr. Underwood will likely become president of the Northern Pacific.

James Wilcox, former suitor of Nell Cropsey, in a letter to her father, Justice Cropsey, again declares that he had nothing whatever to do either directly or indirectly with the girl's disapearance.

The United States Steel Corporation instituted a civil service merit system on its lake steamer lines, on which 2,000 men are employed. The captains and chief engineers will share in the dividends.

George Morgan, president, and Geo. Blum, Jr., treasurer, of the Continental Security Redemption Company of Birmingham, Ala., were arrested on the charge of embezzlement.

Charges of maltreatment at sea were brought against officers of the naval collier Nero by a seaman. The charges were dismissed for lack of sufficient evidence.

Laura Bullion, the female companion of Ben Kilpatrick, the Montana train robber, was sentenced to five years in the Federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan.

Foreign.

The long-expected speech of Lord Rosebery at Chesterfield, England, was not up to expectations. It was a fine oratorical effort, but threw little light on the future of the Liberal party. He attacked the government's war methods, and, in urging reorganization of the Liberal party, he quoted from President Roosevelt's message.

The women of Poland have taken a hand in the agitation, and have decided to issue a manifesto to the women of Europe and America on the indignation to which Polish children are subjected.

The counties of Mayo and Roscommon, Ireland, have been placed under the Crimes Act, owing to United Irish League speakers preaching forcible resistance to the authorities.

A force under Gen. Bruce Hamilton killed 16 and captured 76 Boers at Wilkraens, in the Eastern Transvaal.

Mobs in Cadiz pillaged stores and terrorized the peaceable people. After several encounters, in which many persons on both sides were injured, the police partly restored order.

Representatives of the transatlantic steamship companies met in Cologne to take steps to regulate traffic and minimize destructive competition.

Lord Kitchener reports that the Boer leaders are no longer able to repress murder and outrage on the part of their subordinates.

A fierce gale was reported to be sweeping the English and Irish Channel.

Heavy storms have swept over France and England. A number of small wrecks are reported. Telegraph communication between points in England and Scotland is still interrupted. A large new Austrian steamer, the Neritea, has been driven on the rocks off the English coast.

At a concert given by Paderewski in Berlin for the benefit of persons imprisoned as an outcome of the Wenschen school scandals the pianist was presented with bouquets tied with the Polish colors.

Besides the impending action of Germany to enforce claims against Venezuela, an uprising is threatened in that country.

Financial.

The New York Subtreasury statement shows the banks lost $5,279,000 last week.

The Westinghouse Air Brake Co. has declared a regular quarterly dividend of 2½ and 3½ per cent. extra.

President Whitney has, it is said, disposed of his controlling interest in Dominion Steel & Iron Co., to Montreal capitalists.

The United Fruit Co. has declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent., payable January 15, to stock of record December 31.

INQUIRY COURT CENSURES SCHLEY

But Admiral Dewey Says He Won the Battle of Santiago.

NO FURTHER ACTION RECOMMENDED

In a Nutshell, the Decision is Against Admiral Schley, and From the Standpoint of a Majority of the Court He Is Not Vindicated—Admiral Dewey, However, Was in the Main in Favor of Schley.

Washington, D. C., (Special).—Blame and praise. This is the verdict of the Schley Court of Inquiry.

It is more blame than praise, because while Admiral Dewey, president of the court, gives him all the credit and glory for the destruction of Cervera's fleet as senior in command at the battle, and the court finds that his conduct was that of a man of courage in the action, the unanimous finding is made that Schley's conduct in the Santiago campaign prior to his supersession by Rear-Admiral Sampson was "characterized by vacillation, dilatoriness and lack of enterprise."

The investigation, unique in naval annals and of great historic importance, was intended to end a controversy which has not only disrupted the navy, but which has rent the entire country. Instead, further bitterness has been added to the controversy, for while Admiral Dewey gives it as his personal and individual opinion that to Rear-Admiral Schley belongs the credit of the victory at Santiago, Rear-Admirals Benham and Ramsay, the two junior members of the court, decline to append their signatures to such an expression.

OPINION OF THE MAJORITY.

Findings of Benham and Ramsay Are Against Schley.

The opinion of the majority is as follows:

Commodore Schley, in command of Flying Squadron, should have proceeded with utmost dispatch off Cienfuegos and should have maintained a close blockade of that port.

He should have endeavored on May 23 at Cienfuegos to obtain information regarding the Spanish squadron by communicating with the insurgents at the place designated in the memorandum delivered to him at 8.15 A. M. of that date.

He should have proceeded from Cienfuegos to Santiago de Cuba with all dispatch and should have disposed his vessels with a view of intercepting the enemy in any attempt to pass the Flying Squadron.

He should not have delayed the squadron for the Eagle.

He should not have made the retrograde turn westward with his squadron.

He should have promptly obeyed the Navy Department's order of May 25.

He should have endeavored to capture or destroy the Spanish vessels at anchor near the entrance of Santiago harbor on May 29 and 30.

He did not do his utmost with the force under his command to capture or destroy the Colon and other vessels of the enemy which he attacked on May 31.

By commencing the engagement on July 3 with the port battery and turning the Brooklyn around with port helm Commodore Schley caused her to lose distance and position with the Spanish vessels, especially with the Vizcaya and Colon.

The turn of the Brooklyn to starboard was made to avoid getting her into dangerous proximity to the Spanish vessels. The turn was made toward the Texas and caused that vessel to stop and to back her engines to avoid possible collision.

Admiral Schley did injustice to Lieut.-Com. A. C. Hodgson in publishing only a portion of the correspondence which passed between them.

Commodore Schley's conduct in connection with the events of the Santiago campaign prior to June 1, 1898, was characterized by vacillation, dilatoriness and lack of enterprise.

His official reports regarding the coal supply and the coaling facilities of the Flying Squadron were inaccurate and misleading.

His conduct during the battle of July 3 was self-possessed, and he encouraged, in his own person, his subordinate officers and men to fight courageously.

George Dewey,
Admiral United States Navy, President.

Samuel C. Lemley,
Judge-Advocate-General United States Navy, Judge-Advocate.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S OPINION.

Commodore Schley Was the Senior Officer in Command.

Admiral Dewey's opinion is as follows:

In the opinion of the undersigned the passage from Key West to Cienfuegos was made by the Flying Squadron with all possible dispatch, Commodore Schley having in view the importance of arriving off Cienfuegos with as much coal as possible in the ships' bunkers.

The blockade of Cienfuegos was effective.

Commodore Schley in permitting the steamer Adula to enter the port of Cienfuegos expected to obtain information concerning the Spanish squadron from her when she came out.

The passage from Cienfuegos to a point about 22 miles south of Santiago was made with as much dispatch as was possible, while keeping the squadron a unit.

The blockade of Santiago was effective.

Commodore Schley was the senior officer of our squadron off Santiago when the Spanish squadron attempted to escape on the morning of July 3, 1898. He was in absolute command and is entitled to the credit due to such commanding officer for the glorious victory which resulted in the total destruction of the Spanish ships.

George Dewey,
Admiral U. S. N.

Sam. C. Lemly,
Judge-Advocate General U. S. N., Judge-Advocate.

The Recommendation.

In view of the length of time which has elapsed since the occurrence of the events of the Santiago campaign, the Court recommends no further proceedings be had in the premises.

George Dewey,
Admiral U. S. N., President.

Sam. C. Lemly,
Judge-Advocate-General U. S. N., Judge-Advocate.

SCHLEY TO PROTEST.

Formally Requests Mr. Long to Withhold Approval of the Report.

Washington, D. C. (Special.)—Rear-Admiral Schley has decided to protest against the report of the court of inquiry. He has formally requested Secretary Long to withhold approval of the findings of the court until a statement of the objections can be filed.

Rear-Admiral Schley was in consultation with his counsel, the Hon. Isidor Rayner and Mr. M. A. Teague, both of Baltimore. As a result of the conference, the following letter was presented to Secretary Long:

Washington, Dec. 16, 1901.

Sir—I have the honor to most respectfully request that you withhold your approval from the findings of the court of inquiry, recently held at the navy-yard in the city of Washington, of which Admiral George Dewey was president, until such time as I may have an opportunity to file a statement of objections thereto, and I, therefore, request that you do not not dissolve the court until action shall have been taken on such objections.

Very respectfully,
W. S. SCHLEY,
Rear Admiral United States Navy.
ISIDOR RAYNER,
Counsel for the Applicant Before Said Court of Inquiry.

To the Honorable Secretary of the Navy.

One of the Rear Admiral's attorneys, who presented the letter to Mr. Long, asked the Secretary to indicate his probable action in the premises. The Secretary replied that the request would be granted, and his action on the findings and the dissolution of the court withheld until the objections were received and he had had an opportunity to consider them.

WHO WON THE PRIZE MONEY?

Under Dewey's Decision Ought Schley Get Sampson's Share.

Washington, D. C. (Special.)—Whether Admiral Sampson or Admiral Schley should receive the share of the prize and bounty money awarded by the Treasury Department to the commander-in-chief of the American fleet at Santiago is a question raised by Admiral Dewey's opinion that Admiral Schley was in absolute command.

These figures, showing the amount of prize money awarded to each officer in command of a fleet or squadron during the war with Spain, have been prepared by the Auditor for the Navy Department:

Rear-Admiral W. T. Sampson, $8,335, share bounty for destruction of Spanish ships at Santiago; $17,462, bounty and prize money for captures and ships destroyed independent of Santiago; $25,797, total bounty and prize money received.

Rear-Admiral Schley, $3,334, share bounty money for destruction of Spanish ships at Santiago; $149.53, prize money for capture made by ships under his command; $3,483.53, total bounty and prize money received.

Admiral George Dewey, $9,570, total bounty for destruction of Spanish ships at Manila.

BIBLE IN THE LEVANT.

Steadily Increasing Demand Reported By American Society.

New York, (Special).—The American Bible Society has issued a report based on the recent visitation of its agencies in the Levant by its secretary, Rev. Dr. William I. Baven.

The report says that there has been a steadily increasing demand for the Bible in the more than 20 languages spoken by the people along the eastern shores of the Mediterranean. The principal circulation is in Armenian, Greek and Arabic. The Arabic issues during the past year were over 40,000.

The distribution of the Bible in the Nile Valley and in the Soudan is also a part of the work of the Levant agency of the American Bible Society.

Shoots Wife in Mistake.

Raleigh, N. C., (Special).—J. A. Randall, a locomotive engineer living at Aberdeen, mistook his wife for a burglar and shot her with a rifle. The ball went through her body and penetrated the wall. She will probably die. Randall was awakened by his wife, who told him somebody was trying to break into the house. While Randall was getting his rifle she went into the hall. The house was dark when he turned and distinguished a form he fired.

Mrs. Bonine Acquitted.

Washington, D. C., (Special).—The jury in the case of Mrs. Lola Ida Hemry Bonine, charged with the murder of James Seymour Ayres, Jr., in the Kenmore Hotel, in this city, on the night of May 15, returned a verdict of not guilty, and the defendant was set at liberty. Such a conclusion of the trial was generally expected, the popular impression here being that from the evidence submitted the prosecution had failed to prove its case against Mrs. Bonine.

Steel Trust May Control Nickel Co.

London, (By Cable).—The Pall Mall Gazette says it is inclined to credit the rumors, for some time current, to the effect that the United States Steel Corporation is trying to obtain control of the Nickel Corporation. The paper finds support for the belief in the reconstitution of the latter campaign board, on which appears the name of Colonel Hunsiker as chairman. The Gazette understands that Colonel Hunsiker represents the Steel Corporation.

EIGHT MEN KILLED, ELEVEN INJURED

Conductor's Blunder Results in a Terrible Collision.

WRECK ON THE ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

A Passenger and a Freight Come Together With Great Force, the Occupants of the Smoking Car Being Penned in by the Locomotives — Only Three of the Half Dozen Escaped.

Rockford, Ill., (Special). — Failure on the part of a conductor to obey orders is supposed to have been the cause of a head-on collision on the Illinois Central, between Irene and Perryville. The two trains were the eastbound passenger train and a through freight from Chicago going west. As a result eight people are dead or missing and 11 injured.

The trains met in a slight bend in the track, both running at full speed. The smoking, express and baggage cars were piled on the locomotive, penning in the occupants of the smoker. Only three of the half dozen in that car escaped. The others were penned in, and if not instantly killed, were roasted to death and their bodies, with those of the engine crews, were entirely consumed. All efforts of the survivors to reach the victims were unavailing.

The temperature was 20 degrees below zero, and an icy wind was blowing. The point where the wreck occurred being in a shallow cut afforded no protection. The injured were without hats and wraps and suffered terribly. By the united efforts of the survivors, one car was pushed back from the wreckage to escape the flames, and the wounded were placed on the banks inside.

Two hours elapsed before any relief was at hand. The engine from the east pulled the car to Irene, three miles distant. A relief train was started from Rockford at 1.30 A. M. with medical aid. It arrived at the scene of the wreck 20 minutes later. In the meantime the injured had been brought back from Irene and were transferred to the relief train and brought to Rockford.

STORM'S HAVOC.

Streams in New York and Pennsylvania Rise Above Danger Line.

Philadelphia, Pa., (Special). — The bitter cold wave from the northwest met the furious easterly storm this side of the Alleghanies and checked the latter, but not before the tremendous downpour of rain and terrific winds had caused losses to property aggregating millions of dollars in the States of New York and Pennsylvania.

In addition to the enormous damage to manufacturing plants by floods, a number of lives were lost.

Washouts caused damage and delays on the various railroads in Pennsylvania and New York. The Lehigh river overflowed the canal at Bethlehem, Pa., and forced the Jersey Central and Lehigh Valley Railroads to suspend trafic. About 200 houses in Bethlehem were flooded.

The havoc in the Pennsylvania coal regions is enormous, and the loss to railroad and mining companies will amount to millions of dollars. The Schuylkill, Lehigh, Susquehanna and Juniata rivers have risen as high as 15 feet above their levels, and all of their tributaries have overflowed, inundating the surrounding country in more than a dozen counties. In the Schuylkill Valley 48 mines were flooded, and in the Lehigh and Lackawanna regions the destruction is equally great.

FEAR UPRISING OF FILIPINOS.

Army Officer Says Rebellion is Rife in Island of Luzon.

Pekin, (By Cable).—A private letter received here from an American general at Manila, whose position gives his statements the highest authority, says that secret service reports from all the provinces of the island of Luzon show a remarkable and widespread revival of the spirit of rebellion there.

This letter says the American army expects a general outbreak throughout the island of Luzon, and is taking vigorous measures to suppress it. Manila is the center of discontent.

General Chaffee has frequent parades of the garrison through the city's streets to display American strength and fearing an attempt at a general massacre of Americans.

Arrangements have been perfected to concentrate American women and children in the public buildings on short notice.

JUDGE HITS EX-CONGRESSMAN.

John J. Lentz Assaulted in Court at Cleveland, Ohio.

Columbus, Ohio., (Special).—There was a sensational scene in Judge Bigger's court, when Judge D. C. Badger assaulted former Congressman John J. Lentz.

The episode was the outgrowth of the appointment of a receiver for the Wolfram Guitar Company by Judge Badger Lentz had, as attorney for Mr. Wolfram filed an affidavit in Judge Bigger's court alleging prejudice on the part of Judge Badger, and asking Judge Bigger to hear a motion to vacate the receivership.

Judge Badger happened into the courtroom while the matter was being laid before Judge Bigger, and he accused Lentz of having misstated the facts Lentz entered a denial. Judge Badger then assaulted the ex-Congressman. Lentz made no attempt to retaliate, but told Badger that inasmuch as he was a judge he would not strike him.

Pardon of Miss Eastwick Refused.

London, (By Cable).—The Home Office notified counsel for Miss Josephine Eastwick, of Philadelphia, under sentence of six months' imprisonment for forging a railroad certificate, that the petition for her pardon on the ground of insanity could not be granted. No reason is given. This action of the Home Office was taken in spite of great pressure brought to bear in Miss Eastwick's behalf by the officials of the American Embassy.

NATIONAL CAPITAL AFFAIRS.

Contests for House Seats.

The hearing of the contested election cases will begin early in January before the several elections committees of the House.

There are seven of these contests, including that made by ex-Representative J. J. Lentz, of Ohio, against the sitting member from the seventh Ohio district, Representative Emmet Tompkins. One of the contests, begun by General Walker, of Virginia, for the seat in the ninth Virginia district, has been terminated by the death of the contestant.

Other cases are: Seventh Alabama, N. B. Spears against Representative John L. Burnett; Third Kentucky, J. M. Moss against Representative John S. Rhea; Twelfth Missouri, W. M. Horton against Representative James J. Butler; Third North Carolina, J. E. Fowler against Representative Charles R. Thomas; Seventh South Carolina, A. B. Dentzler against Representative J. Wm. Stokes; Fourth Virginia, C. E. Wilson against Representative Francis R. Lassiter.

Will Not Take It in Bonds.

It is said to be defintely decided that President Roosevelt will not accept the offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie of $10,000,000 of bonds of the United States Steel Corporation for the purpose of founding an institution for higher education in this city.

The views of prominent Senators and Representatives as they have been given to the President are practically unanimous against the acceptance of the offer in its present shape. The provision attached to the offer that the Government shall hold the bonds for a term of years is considered especially objectionable.

The President, however, is very hopeful that an adjustment can be made by which Mr. Carnegie will convert the bonds which he tendered into cash or United States bonds, and that the gift can then be accepted in that shape.

Cuban Revenues Decline.

The Division of Insular Affairs of the War Department gave out the following statement showing the customs revenue in Cuba:

The total revenues for the ten months ended October 31, 1901, were $13,038,336, as compared with $13,228,861 for the same period of 1900, and $12,120,991 for 1899.

The duty on exports was abolished April 1, 1901. The export duties collected in 1901 amounted to $267,440; during the ten months ended October 31, 1900, $734,776; ten months ended October 31, 1899, $610,530.

The customs revenues exclusive of export duties, increased in 1901 over the previous year by $276,811, and over the second preceding year by $1,260,434.

Long's Plan for Naval Reserves.

Secretary Long has transmitted to Congress a bill providing for the organization of a United States naval reserve. All officers, petty officers and enlisted men of the naval militia who served during the war with Spain, all officers appointed from civil life for service during the continuance of that war, the men who enlisted in the navy for not less than one year and served during the Spanish War, and all graduates of the Naval Academy who have honorably left the service, may be enrolled in the naval reserve in the same grade as that held when they left the service. An appropriation of $200,000 is asked for to carry the bill into operation.

Bill for Purchase of Telegraph Lines.

Representative Jackson, of Kansas, has introduced a bill providing that the United States Government purchase the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies and thereafter operate them in connection with the Postoffice Department.

Provision is made for appraisal of the property of the companies and for the payment of its appraised value when the amount is reported to Congress.

Siam's New Minister Presented.

Phya Akaraj Oradhara, the newly arrived Siamese Minister, called at the State Department, accompanied by his English secretary, Mr. Loftus, and was taken to the White House by Secretary Hay and presented to President Roosevelt. The Minister presented his credentials, after which there was the usual exchange of felicitious remarks.

Roosevelt May Go to Pacific.

Representative Needham, of California, extended to President Roosevelt an invitation from the Department of California and Nevada, Grand Army of the Republic, to attend the annual encampment of that organization at Hanford, Cal., next May. The President said it was his intention to visit California and the Pacific Coast some time next year, but he could not now say when he would be able to make the trip.

Bill for $7,000,000 Building.

Representative Mercer, of Nebraska, introduced a bill for a building in Washington for the United States Supreme Court, the Department of Justice and international tribunals, to cost not exceeding $7,000,000, for site and building.

Capital News in General.

The last obstacle to the preparation of a treaty for the cession of the Danish West Indies to the United States have been removed.

The Senate, in executive session, without the formality of a roll-call, confirmed the nomination of Attorney-General Knox.

The special committee of the Pacific coast Senators and Representatives has prepared a Chinese exclusion bill.

Chairman Ray, of the House committee, appointed a subcommittee to draft an anti-anarchy measure.

Representative Pearre introduced in the House a bill to allow a pension of $50 a month to honorably discharged soldiers who have become blind; also a bill to establish a national military park at Fort Frederick, Md.; also, a bill for a monument in Washington to the soldiers of the Revolution.

Secretary Hay has been selected to deliver the oration on the occasion of the national memorial service to President McKinley.

Representative Jackson, of Kansas, introduced a bill for the government purchase of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph lines.

Gifts

By E. S. Martin

THE imperial child to whom the wise men brought
Their gifts, and worshipped in His lowly nest,
Gave no gift back. It was Himself they sought,
And finding Him, were sated in their quest.
Their gifts, not expectation, but their joy expressed.
Now was the world's long yearning satisfied!
Now was the prize long waited for possessed!
Their gifts meant love, unmarred by lust or pride.
Be it so with ours: our aim, not debts to pay,
Nor any recompense save love to win,
Nor any grosser feeling to convey
Than brought the wise men's gifts to Bethlehem's inn.
Those rate we best that no return afford
Save the pure sense of having found our Lord.

—From Harper's Weekly.

The Colonel's Christmas Gift

BY

Margaret Seymour Hall

WHEN the original John Pemberton came to Massachusetts to fight Indians and to enable his descendants to become Dames and Daughters and Sons of all manner of things, it was in a way that little betokened such future glory. It is sad to record such things of an ancestor, but as a matter of fact he was fairly smuggled in from Virginia, where a political difference with Governor Berkeley had led to his enforced retirement; and so little was his presence desired in the Puritan colony that only because of his splendid military ability was he allowed to remain. For he, being by all accounts a spirited party, gave the blue laws no more attention than if they did not exist, and in face of indignant public opinion insisted on keeping Christmas after the fashion of their common mother-country.

But with King Philip and the Narragansetts waging war it was impossible to spare one who was both a fearless and a skillful warrior; and besides (so say the ancient annals) his sins brought their own punishment; so terrible a one that the most orthodox stood aghast, for his eldest son—his heir and his pride—married a red-headed witch, the daughter of a Dutch emigrant, who had died just as his vessel touched port. There was no doubt about the witchcraft. She wore gay garments of a strange cut, she sang, in an unknown tongue, songs of an unearthly sweetness that held passers-by spellbound near her tiny cabin; she had wondrous skill in herbs and simples; and, lastly, to clinch the matter, there was the red head. But the younger John, who had traveled, only laughed at the tales when he took her for his wife in defiance of the world, and of his father to boot, who, in spite of his own contumacy, desired no dealings with sorcery, and who cut off his son with a shilling.

But one thing more went with it—namely, the old man's sword; for the son, though uninvited, came to the funeral and took it down from its hook on the wall, declaring that of all the sons he alone, as eldest, had the right to wear it. And later, when he, too, was dead, his daughter, being frivolous, as became her parentage, melted up the gold hilt and ran it into beads, and this deed added flame to the family feud, which did not die out, as do most feuds, but burned on for two long centuries. For in each generation the head of the one branch of the Pembertons made a formal demand for the beads as a lawful and just right, and the representative of the witch Pembertons, as they are called, as the eldest line, scornfully refused; so that the quarrel was constantly renewed, and would have probably have flourished indefinitely but that, through inadvertance, the eldest son of either side was entered the same year at the same college, and both of them being strong and athletic, they were thrown much together and wrestled themselves into a mutual respect which gradually ripened into friendship.

"AS HE PUT HIS FINGER ON THE SPRING THE LID FLEW BACK."

And thus it came about that the one introduced the other to his sister, Damaris Pemberton, who had come up for commencement week. Now, Damaris was a sight to see. By a strange run of fate every girl in that line is born with a red head, but in Damaris, when the sun shone upon it, it was a halo of glory. And her complexion was dazzling, and her blue eyes were great stars, and her dimples came and went; and, in short, if her ancestress had been like her it is no wonder that a man threw up lands and money for her sake—at least so the living John thought, and so before long he told her, and they agreed that the feud was nonsense, and became engaged, her brother consenting.

And then came the deluge.

John's father, old Pemberton, nearly went off his head with rage when John informed him of the engagement.

"What," fumed the Colonel, "my only son wed the daughter of that wrong-headed lawyer! Let them begin, in common honesty, by restoring their unjust gain and I'll consent to hear more of them; but until this is done, never!"

"Unless she gives up those beads, if you marry her I'll——" The father left the sentence unfinished, but John read his meaning, from his hardening face.

"I shall marry her," John returned, briefly and firmly.

"Very well." And the old warrior's face grew cold.

But though for love of her he had defied his father and announced his firm intention of cleaving to her, he found that he had leaped over one obstruction to their marriage only to hurl himself against a greater. Damaris, who had a fine spirit of her own, would have none of him on such terms.

"If the Colonel comes to me himself and begs me to honor him by accepting his son's hand perhaps I'll think of it. But not before," she said.

Try as he would John could not shake her from this position.

So that is how matters stood with John Pemberton when Christmas-time—the season of peace and good-will—came around. No wonder that he was pale and haggard.

The Christmas dinner could hardly be called a cheerful meal, nor did things brighten later when the young man stood gazing silently out of the window.

In the gathering dusk John thought he saw a slender form run past the casement window. Then just as he had decided it was imagination there came a tap at the front door—a sudden rising and falling of the old brass knocker—so slight a noise that it failed to call the butler.

After waiting a moment John Pemberton himself strolled down the hall and opened the door. No one was there, though the mark of a small foot was clearly visible in the snow on the door-step. As he stooped to look at it he saw beside it a little square package, directed in fine printed letter "To Colonel Pemberton, with a Merry Christmas."

"Eh, what's that?" said the old man, when John returned to the library. "Left on the door-step? Perhaps it's some sort of a practical joke, though who would think of playing it I don't know. Open it, my boy, and let us see what it is."

John Pemberton cut the string and removed the brown-paper wrapping; inside was the daintiest of parcels done up in pale green tissue paper and tied with ribbon. Wondering, he unrolled the paper and found an old case of carved ivory. As he put his finger on the spring the led flew back, and with a loud exclamation the Colonel leaned forward to stare at what was surely one of the strangest presents ever made to a grim and scarred old veteran of war—no less than a string of gold beads!

The father, with the beads held in one limp hand, gazed with down-hung jaw at his son, who in turn gazed with like astonishment at his father.

Then there was silence, for what time John's heart gave some two hundred thumps against his ribs, and the Colonel stared into the open fire, unconsciously toying with the strand of gold that had caused so much trouble. The old warrior knew when he was conquered. He was not one given to half-way measures. He looked up at his son.

"John," said he, "will you order the carriage out?"

John did, asking no questions.

A few minutes later, without another word being spoken, the two were in the carriage whirling through the swiftly falling snow.

Damaris heard them coming, so within the house there were cardiac beatings as excited as there were without. She flushed to the soft color of a sunset cloud when they appeared before her, the father coming forward, and John hovering about the door to await developments. The Colonel spoke before she had time to say a word. "My dear lady," he said, with stately dignity, "I have come to thank you for your generous and gracious Christmas gift, which, however, as is appropriate, I hope that you will continue to wear."

"'MY DEAR LADY,' HE SAID, WITH STATELY DIGNITY."

He held out to her the old case of carved ivory.

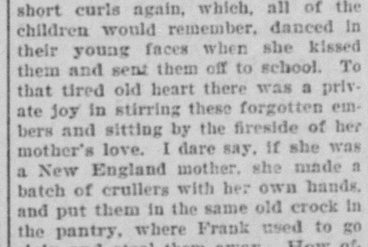
"But they are yours," she said, confusedly; and from beneath her lowered eyelashes a glance fluttered toward John.

"They are yours," the Colonel insisted; and she took them. "And also I beg that you will honor me by consenting to accept my only son, and that you will come to my old house as its beloved mistress."

John moved up to her and possessed himself of her hands. "Father gave you the beads, and you took them," he said, softly. "And he also gave you me. Am I taken, too, dear?"

Damaris raised her eyes, and crept closer; and John drew her into his arms.

And so the old Pemberton feud came to an end on Christmas night.—Woman's Home Companion.



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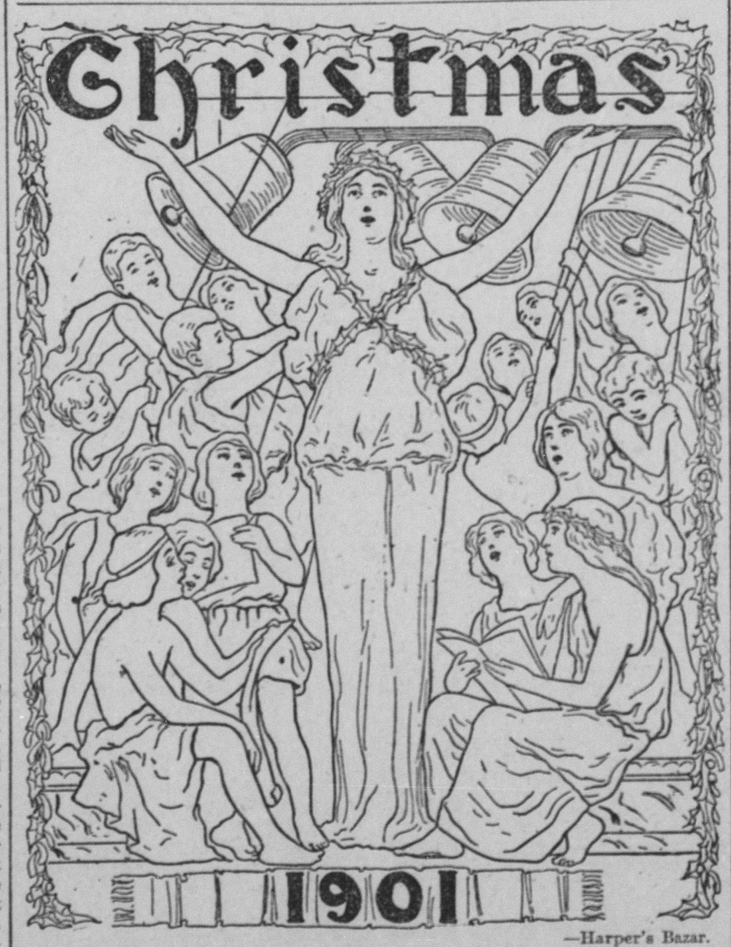


—Harper's Bazar.

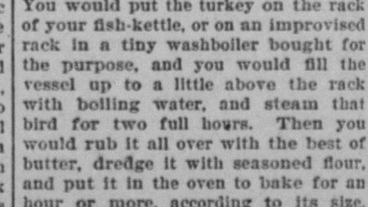
GOING HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

BY A C WHEELER

I wonder how many old women there were who baked and basted and then sat waiting in their black silk frocks for the broods to come back on Christmas—the broods that never came. Not many, I hope. There was a finer sorrow reserved for the mothers, and it was to have them come. Certain it is that a holy pathos settled over it as we contemplated it afterwards. We remembered then that the "old woman" could not be as merry as we were. She had little disappointments that she hid from us. How plainly we understood them, after the old silk frock was put away in the cedar chest for the last time! How she must have worked for days with what remained of her skill, to renew the old foolishnesses against the coming! She put brandy in one of her mince pies because John had always liked it, and she left it out of another because Molly always "abominated it." She tried to coax her old gray hair into the three short curls again, which, all of the children would remember, danced in their young faces when she kissed them and sent them off to school. To that tired old heart there was a private joy in stirring these forgotten embers and sitting by the fireside of her mother's love. I dare say, if she was a New England mother, she made a batch of crullers with her own hands, and put them in the same old crock in the pantry, where Frank used to go slyly and steal them away. How often she found the crumbs in between the sheets in the morning, and never mentioned it! She would cook them herself because Frank liked them of "a nice cinnamon brown." It was not quite comprehensible to her that Frank could get beyond the cruller stage, and when she took him to the pantry and pointed, with some flaming up of her old pride, to the crock, she thought that he could at least have made a pretence of his former zest for her sake. But Frank probably laughed carelessly, and said, "All right, mother," and went away without thinking of them again, until—well, until he saw the tired old wrists crossed and tied with a white ribbon. Then he wondered why he did not grant her that poor little favor. If he could only have the chance again he would eat all her crullers and sing their praises to the world.—Harper's Weekly.

The Christmas Turkey.

If you were to set about to improve upon your method of cooking a turkey you would probably do it in this wise: You would put the turkey on the rack of your fish-kettle, or on an improvised rack in a tiny washboiler bought for the purpose, and you would fill the vessel up to a little above the rack with boiling water, and steam that bird for two full hours. Then you would rub it all over with the best of butter, dredge it with seasoned flour, and put it in the oven to bake for an hour or more, according to its size, basting every ten minutes—or at least every fifteen—with the water over which the steaming was done, which, of course, you would keep hot for the purpose. You know too much to begin the basting until the flour has begun to brown, or to have too much bastings in the pan at once, which prevents the possibility of good gravy-making, or to fail to turn the bird judiciously so that every part is equally and evenly browned; in short, to be satisfied with anything less than a "picture" turkey, ready to fall to pieces with original tenderness and rich with acquired juiciness and flavor from perfect cooking.—Ella Morris Kretschmar, in the Woman's Home Companion.



Mr. Mouse—"I'll bet anything that fellow stole a horse, or he wouldn't be hanging on that tree."—Judge.

JOKER'S BUDGET

NEVER TOO LATE TO MEND.

There was a maid in our town
As wise as she was fair,
She went to a peroxide shop
And bleached her raven hair.
But when she saw her hair was like
A piebald charger's mane,
She walked into another shop
And dyed it black again.
—New York Commercial Advertiser.

MENTAL INSOLENCE.

"Do you believe in natural selection and the survival of the fittest?"

"I do," answered the candid man. "I have to. I don't know enough about those subjects to give any reasons to my scientific friends why I shouldn't believe in them."—Washington Star.

PREFERABLE.

"Doesn't it make you nervous to hear your husband constantly complaining about the way political affairs are managed "

"No," answered the tired-looking woman. "It's a relief to have him complain about politics. It takes his mind off the meals."—Washington Star.

SECURING HIMSELF.

"That man says he wants all the advice he can get on the way he is to conduct the office to which he has just been elected."

"That is very shrewd of him. In that way he is pretty sure to get just the kind of advice he desires. Then he can lay the responsibility on some one else for doing precisely as he pleases."

THE LAWYER'S ADVICE.

Young Lady—A friend of mine is engaged to a man, and now he refuses to marry her. What would you advise her to do?

Old Lawyer—Is the man wealthy

Young Lady—No. He hasn't a dollar.

Old Lawyer—Then I'd advise her to write him a nice letter of thanks.—Chicago News.

WHY HE IS GLAD.

"Here's a queer announcement on the bottom of the bill of fare: 'The proprietor will be glad to receive complaints against the waiters.'"

"What's queer about that?"

"Why should the proprietor be 'glad' to receive complaints—"

"Because then he knows the customers are not getting more than their money's worth."—Catholic Standard and Times.

A PRISONER.

"I thought you guaranteed that suit of underwear you sold me not to shrink?" said the customer, who entered the store and stood in a somewhat cramped attitude.

"I did," replied the merchant; "'if it shrinks bring it back."

"I have brought it back," said the customer in evident embarrassment, "but I got caught out in the rain and can't get it off."—Ohio State Journal.

THE MISSION OF DIALECT LITERATURE

"There are numerous dialects in the Chinese language, and the inhabitants of one locality may have difficulty in understanding those of another," remarked the professor.

"Well," said the theorist, "that's what China gets for not printing publications that make a specialty of dialect stories. This country takes no chances on not letting the different sections keep acquainted."—Washington Star.

A HAPPY IDEA.

Smearer—You know that grand old patriotic sentence which begins this way: "Eternal vigilance?"

Dauber—Why, sure. Every school boy does.

Smearer—Well, I have been engaged to paint an allegorical picture of that sentence. Now, can you suggest a happy idea for "Eternal Vigilance?"

Dauber—I can. Make a picture of a man keeping an eye on his umbrella. —Express Gazette.

THE MODERN LITERARY MARKET.

"Yes," said the fair girl, "Adolphus is perfectly devoted to literature."

"Is that the young man who proposed to you?" asked Miss Cayenne.

"Yes. He knows ever so much, and he has a command of English that is absolutely correct and classic."

"That's very nice, my dear. But before you trust your future to his keeping you try him on up to date slang." —Washington Star

A HORRIBLE EXAMPLE AT HOME.

"Why is it, Mr. Blinkenham," the jolly little match-maker asked, "that you have never married?"

"Well, I'll tell you," he answered. "In all my life I have never really loved more than three girls, and although they returned my love—of course you understand that I didn't love them all at the same time—it is a singular fact that in each case their parents objected to me."

"Pooh!" she exclaimed. "I don't think much of a man who will let parental objection stand in the way when he really and truly is in love."

"Perhaps not," he went on regretfully; "but you see my father and mother eloped."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Kansas Champion.

Atchison has a man who can give more good advice, and act the fool more times in a day, than any other man in America.—Atchison Globe.

COMMERCIAL REVIEW.

General Trade Conditions.

R. G. Dunn & Co's Weekly Review of Trade says: It is most fortunate that the vageries of speculation are not always deleterious to legitimate business. Railway stocks fell sharply, yet full returns for November show that earnings were 1.15 per cent greater than in the same month last year and 1.81 per cent. over those of 1899. Industrial and traction shares were even more violently disturbed, yet the manufacturing plants of the nation were never more fully occupied. Numerous labor controversies have been settled, and the rate of wages is at the highest point ever attained. Retail distribution is of massive proportions. Raw material in the textile industry has developed distinct firmness. Cotton not only retained the spasmodic gain that followed the Government report, but made a further advance, and indications of continued strength attracted liberal purchases by spinners.

Western grain producers and dealers have expressed great faith in the future of prices, many announcing their intention to hold supplies until spring, when the scarcity would be marked and quotations reach a more profitable point.

Failures for the week numbered 273 in the United States, against 240 last year, and 17 in Canada, against 26 last year.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Flour.—Best Patent, $4.90; High Grade Extra, $4.40; Minnesota Bakers, $3.00a3.50.

Wheat.—New York No. 2, 85½c; Baltimore No. 2, 80½c.

Corn—New York No. 2, 69½c; Philadelphia No. 2, 65½a66c; Baltimore No. 2, 67c.

Oats.—New York. No. 2, 54c; Philadelphia No. 2, 54c; Baltimore No. 2, 54c.

Hay.—No. 1 timothy, large bales, $15.-50a16.00; do, small bales, —a16.00; No. 2 timothy, $14.50a15.00; No. 3 timothy, $12.00a13.50.

GREEN FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.—Apples.—Western Maryland and Pennsylvania, packed, per brl. $3.00a3.75; do, New York, assorted, per brl., $3.50a4.50; do, No. 2s, per brl., $2.50a3.00; do, Eastern, per brl., fancy, $4.00a4.50; do, Fancy Kings, per brl., $4.25a4.50; do. New York Fancy Gills, per brl. $450a5.00; do, No 1, Baldwins, per. brl., $4.00a4.25; do. Western Ben Davis, per brl., $3.75a4.25. Cabbage—New York State, per ton $9.00a10.00; do, Danish, per ton $12.00a13.00. Carrots—Native, per bushel box, 40a50c; do, per bunch, 1a1½. Cauliflower—Long Island, per crate or barrel, $2.00a3.00. Celery—New York State, per dozen stalks, 25a40c; do, native, per bunch, 3½a4c. Cranberries—Cape Cod, per brl., $6.50a7.50; do, Jerseys, per brl., $6.00a7.50; do, Cape Cod and Jerseys, per box, $1.75a2.25. Cucumbers—Florida, per crate, $2.00a2.50. Grapes—New York, per 8-lb. basket, Concords, 12a13c; do, per 5-lb. basket, Niagaras, 14a16; do. Catawba, 12a12½. Kale—Native, per bushel box, 20a25c. Lettuce—Native, per bushel box, 35a40c; do, North Carolina, per half-barrel basket, $1.00a1.25; do, New Orleans, per brl., $4.00a4.50; do, Florida, per half-barrel basket, $1.25a1.50. Onions—Maryland and Pennsylvania, yellow, per bu., $1.15a1.25; do, Western, yellow, per bu., $1.15a1.25; do, Western, white, per bu., $1.40a1.50; do, red, per bu., $1.15a1.20. Oranges—Florida, per box, as to size, $2.25a2.75. Oysterplants—Native, per bunch, 3a4c. Spinach—Native, per bushel box, 60a65c. Turnips—Native, per bushel box, 25a25c.

Potatoes. — White — Maryland and Pennsylvania, per bu, No. 1 85a90c; do, seconds, 60a75c; New York, per bu, best stock, 85a90c; do, common, 60a75c; Western, per bu, prime, 85a90c. Sweets—Eastern Shore, Virginia, per truck brl, $1.25a1.75; do, per flour brl, $1.75a1.85; do, per brl, frost 75c.a$1.00; native, per brl, No. 1, $2.00a2.25; North Carolina, per brl, No. 1, $2.00a2.25. Yams—Virginia, per brl, smooth, —a$1.

Provisions and Hog Products.—Bulk clear rib sides, 9c; bulk clear sides, 9½c; bulk shoulders, 9½c; bulk clear plates, 9¼c; bulk fat backs, 14 lbs and under, 9¼c; sugar-cured shoulders, narrow, 9¼c.; sugar-cured shoulders, extra broad, 10¼c; hams, canvased or uncanvased, 12 lbs and over, 12¼c; refined lard, tierces, brls and 50-lb cans, gross, 9¼c.

Eggs.—Western Maryland and Pennsylvania, per dozen —a27c.; Eastern Shore (Maryland and Virginia), per dozen —27c.; Virginia, per dozen, 26a 27c.; West Virginia, per dozen, 25a26c.; Western, per dozen, 26a27c.; Southern, 23a25c.;

Butter, Creamery.—Separator, 26a27; gathered cream, 22a23; imitation, 19a20; Md., Va. and Pa. Dairy prints, 21a22; small creamery blocks, (2-lb.), 25a 26c; choice rolls, 18a19c.

Cheese.—New cheese, large 60 lbs., 10¾ to 11c.; do, flats, 37 lbs., 11 to 11¼c; picnics, 23 lbs., 11¾a11½c.

Live Poultry.—Turkeys—Old, 8½a9c; young, fat, 9a9½c; do, small and poor, —a8c. Chickens.—Hens, —a7½c; do old roosters, each 25a30c; do, young good to choice, 8a8½c; do, rough and poor, —a7c. Ducks.—Fancy, large, 9 a—; do, small, —a8c; do, muscovy and mongrels, 8a9c. Geese, Western, each 50a65c.

Live Stock.

Chicago, Cattle.—Good to prime, $6.06 a7.80; poor to medium, $4.00a5.90; stockers and feeders, $2.00a4.00; cows, $1.00a4.50; heifers, $1.50a5.30; canners, $1.00a2.25; bulls, $2.00a4.50; calves, $2.50a5.25; Texas fed steers, $4.50a5.50.

East Liberty.—Cattle—Choice, $5.90a 6.10; prime, $5.60a5.80; good, $5.00a5.50. Hogs slow and lower; prime heavies, $6.30a6.40; heavy mediums, $6.10a6.20; light do, $5.95a6.00; heavy Yorkers, $5.85 a5.90; light do, $5.60a5.70; pigs, as to weight and quality, $5.30a5.40; roughs, $4.50a5.75. Sheep active; best wethers, $3.40a3.75; culls and common, $1.00a 2.00; yearlings, $2.50a3.75; veal calves $6.00a7.00.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

The Marine Engineers' Association takes in the engineers on the trans-Atlantic liners which are manned in this country, and the present wages, based on these demands, are as follows: Vessels of the first-class—that is, vessels of the largest tonnage—chief engineers $150 a month; first assistant engineers, $90 a month; second assistants, $80; third assistants, $70. Vessels of the second class, chief engineers, $145 a month; first assistants, $; second assistants, $70; third assistants, $ 0.

THE CENTRE REPORTER.
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DECEMBER 19, 1901.

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Don't let it enter the minds of Democrats to fuse with Republicans on the county ticket.

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The Democratic party of Centre county can suffer defeat and rise to supremacy. Defeat through fusion means a complete sacrifice of the Democratic party. If fusion is successful, what is gained?

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The report of the legislative committee of the Pennsylvania State Grange on taxation calls attention to the monstrous inequslities in the distribution of the heavy burdens of government are revealed in that report and it is no wonder that farmers protest. It is shown that they are compelled to pay four or five times as much in taxation as other interests and the life of the agricultural element is being crushed by this unequal burden.

The Grange is doing a great and useful work in bringing the tax question to the front. Perhaps its plans of relief are not the best possible, but its complaint is just and its proposals demand fair consideration. This country cannot go on half taxed and half free. Justice demands relief for labor and privilege must go.

Efforts have been made, so it is reported from Washington, to have President Roosevelt use his influence to reduce Southern representation in Congress, but the President has declined to interfere, and the proposed measures have no chance, as matters stand, to become laws. There will be a great deal of talk, and possibly an investigation of Southern suffrage plans, but there it will end. The far-sighted men of the Republican party, accepted as leaders, privately hold that the people of the South are entitled to a chance to take up this problem of the colored vote and solve it in their own way. That is precisely what the people of the North would maintain were they confronted by the dangers of negro suffrage as they are presented at the South.

The partial failure of the corn crop in the great corn States of the West is reflected in our foreign commerce. In October of this year corn exports amounted to only 3,800,000 bushels. In October of last year shipments aggregated 13,500,000 bushels. Shipments from Atlantic ports last week only 278,000 bushels, against 6,300,000 bushels for the corresponding period in 1900. It is evident that Europe does not care to take much corn at present prices. It is to be considered there is a vast amount of corn in the hands of producers who are holding it for higher prices.

A New Venture for Woman.

The part that women took in the recent land lottery, in Oklahama, when 13,000 farms of 160 acres each were distributed by lot, is the subject of an interesting comment in the January Delineator. Many women were successful in this competition, and there is no doubt of their success in the development of their new opportunities.

Keith's Theatre.

Keith's week-before-Christmas bill is calculated to draw the usual capacity-of-the house audiences. The Colibris Midgets, three males and two females, appeared for the first time in Philadelphia Monday. They carry a horse which is the smallest equine ever seen in this country. Ada Arnoldson, the Swedish nightingale, will be the bill's vocalist, and a better it would be difficult to find in variety. Kadura's Royal Japanese Troupe is another newcomer, and their show is also said to be of unusual value. "Visit of Santa Claus" is the title of one of the biograph pictures.

You can buy a first-class blanket at a low price from Boozer, Centre Hall.

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The Schley Court.

Cowardice was the chief charge against Schley. Of that he is unanimously acquitted. "His conduct during the battle of July 3 was self-possessed, and he encouraged, in his person, his subordinate officers and men to fight courageously," says the majority report of the Court of Inquiry. "Commodore Schley was the senior officer of our squadron off Santiago when the Spanish squadron attempted to escape on the morning of July 3, 1898. He was in absolute command, and is entitled to the credit due to such a commanding officer for the glorious victory which resulted in the total destruction of the Spanish ships," says Dewey in the minority report.

Thus the main point is settled, and in Dewey's opinion the second great contention, that Schley was in command and was entitled to the victory, should be decided in Schley's favor. Admirals Benham and Ramsay have plainly done what they could to save the naval clique from complete humiliation and have perpetrated another outrage against a hero. It is not the first time that narrow professional prejudice has ruled men. Dewey stood above the envious crowd of conspirators, determined and unafraid, and in the presence of his fairness Benham and Ramsay did not dare to venture far. But they went too far. The ambition that o'erleaps itself and falls on the other side is again shown.

A Congressional investigation is inevitable. Schley's friends will never leave him under even the lighter clouds.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—IN THE ORPHAN'S Court of Centre County, in the matter of the estate of George Odenkirk, deceased, late of Potter township, the undersigned an Auditor appointed by the Court of Centre County, to ascertain and report liens against the real estate described in the proceedings in partition, and to report a schedule for distribution, will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in Krider's Exchange, Bellefonte, Pa., on Thursday, January 2, 1902, at 10 o'clock a. m., where and when all persons interested may attend if they see proper. J. H. WETZEL, Auditor.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.—LETTERS TESTAmentary on the estate of Wm. Weaver, late of Gregg township, deceased, having been duly granted to the undersigned, he would respectfully request all persons knowing themselves indebted to the estate to make immediate payment, and those having claims against the same to present them duly authenticated for settlement. JOHN H. RISHEL, o dec19 Farmers Mills, Pa.

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TRAINS LEAVE MONTANDON, EASTWARD

7.38 a. m.—Train 64. Week days for Sunbury, Harrisburg, arriving at Philadelphia, 12.10 p. m., New York 2.13 p. m., Baltimore 12.10 p. m., Washington 1.15 p. m. Parlor car and passenger coach to Philadelphia.

2.25 p. m.—Train 30. Daily for Sunbury, Williamsport, Scranton, Harrisburg and intermediate stations. Week days for Renovo, Harrisburg and Pottsville. Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore, Washington. Through passenger coaches to Philadelphia.

5.55 p. m.—Train 12. Weekdays for Sunbury, Williamsport, Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia at 6.22 p. m., New York 9.20 p. m., Baltimore, 6.09 p. m. Washington at 7.15 p. m. Parlor car through to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches to Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington.

4.55 p. m.—Train 32. Weekdays for Wilkesbarre Scranton, Hazleton, Pottsville, and daily for Harrisburg and intermediate points, arriving at Philadelphia 10.20 p. m., New York 3.33 a. m., Baltimore 9.45 p. m. Washington 10.55 p. m. Passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Baltimore.

8.11 p. m.—Train 6. Daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and all intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia, 4.25 a. m. New York at 7.13 a. m., Baltimore, 2.30 a. m., Washington, 4.05 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7.30 a. m.

2.35 a. m.—Train 4 daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and points east and south, arriving at Philadelphia 7.22 a. m., New York 9.53 a. m., (10.38 a. m. Sundays,) Baltimore 7.15 a. m., Washington 8.50 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars and passenger coaches to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5.33 a. m.—Train 3. (Daily) For Erie, Canandaigua, Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and intermediate stations, with passenger coaches to Erie and Rochester. Week days for DuBois, Bellefonte, and Pittsburg. On Sundays only Pullman sleeper to Philadelphia.

10.00 a. m.—Train 31. (Daily) For Lock Haven and intermediate stations, and weekdays for Tyrone, Clearfield, Philipsburg, Pittsburg and the West, with through cars to Tyrone.

1.31 p. m.—Train 61. Weekdays for Kane, Tyrone, Clearfield, Philipsburg, Pittsburg, Canandaigua and intermediate stations, Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo and Niagara Falls, with through passenger coaches to Kane and Rochester, and Parlor car to Philadelphia.

5.27 p. m.—Train 7. Week days for Renovo, Elmira and intermediate stations.

10.00 p. m.—Train 67. Weekdays for Williamsport and intermediate stations. Through Parlor Car and passenger Coach for Philadelphia.

9.10 p. m.—Train 9.1 Sunday only, for Williamsport and intermediate stations.

LEWISBURG AND TYRONE RAILROAD.
Week days.

Westward. P M	A.M.	STATIONS.	A M	Eastward. P M
1 38	9 00	Montandon	8 15	4 55
1 45	9 30	Lewisburg	8 05	4 42
1 53	9 38	Biehl	7 55	4 35
1 57	9 42	Vicksburg	7 51	4 31
2 05	9 50	Millmburg	7 45	4 24
2 16	10 02	Millmont	7 33	4 13
2 23	10 09	Glen Iron	7 26	4 06
2 51	10 40	Paddy Mountain	7 06	3 41
3 02	10 50	Coburn	7 00	3 32
3 08	10 57	Zerby	6 45	3 25
3 17	11 05	Rising Spring	6 35	3 17
3 23	11 11	Penn Cave	6 29	3 10
3 30	11 18	Centre Hall	6 22	3 02
3 35	11 24	Gregg	6 17	2 55
3 42	11 31	Linden Hall	6 10	2 48
3 46	11 35	Oak Hall	6 06	2 43
3 50	11 39	Lemont	6 02	2 38
3 54	11 43	Dale Summit	5 57	2 34
4 03	11 52	Pleasant Gap	5 48	2 24
4 06	11 55	Axemann	5 45	2 21
4 10	12 00	Bellefonte	5 40	2 15

Additional trains leave Lewisburg for Montandon at 5.20 a. m., 7.00 a. m., 9.45 a. m., 1.15 5.15 and 8.00 p. m. returning leave Montandon for Lewisburg at 7.40, 9.30 a. m., 10.03 a. m. 5.00, 5.32 p. m. and 8.15 p. m.

On Sundays trains leave Montandon 9.28 and 10.01 a. m. and 4.56 p. m., returning leave Lewisburg 9.20 a. m., 10.03 a. m. and 4.48 p. m.

J. B. HUTCHINSON, General Manager. J. A. WOOD Gen'l Pass'r Agt.

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF PENNSYLVANIA.
Condensed Time Table.

Read Down No. 1	No. 3	No. 5	Nov. 21, 1900.	Read Up. No. 6	No. 4	No. 2
a. m	p. m.	p. m.	Lv. Ar.	p. m.	p. m	a. m.
7 10	12 40	6 40	..BELLEFONTE..	9 02	5 10	9 40
7 22	2 57	6 42	.....Nigh.....	8 49	4 57	9 27
7 28	2 58	6 48	.....Zion.....	8 43	4 51	9 21
7 32	3 03	6 53	...Hecla Park...	8 38	4 46	9 16
7 35	3 05	6 55	.....Dunkles.....	8 36	4 44	9 14
7 39	3 09	6 59	...HUBLERSBG...	8 32	4 40	9 10
7 43	3 14	7 03	...Snydertown...	8 28	4 36	9 06
7 46	3 16	7 06	.....Nittany.....	8 25	4 33	9 03
7 48	3 18	7 09	.....Bigler.....	8 22	4 30	9 00
7 51	3 21	7 12	.....LAMAR.....	8 19	4 27	8 57
7 53	3 23	7 15	...Clintondale...	8 16	4 24	8 54
7 57	3 27	7 19	..Krider's S'n g.	8 12	4 19	8 49
8 02	3 32	7 24	...Mackeyville...	8 06	4 13	8 43
8 08	3 38	7 30	..Cedar Springs.	8 00	4 07	8 37
8 10	3 40	7 32	.....Salona.....	7 57	4 05	8 35
8 15	3 45	7 37	MILL HALL...	7 52	4 00	8 30
11 45	8 15		.....Jersey Shore.....		3 25	7 55
12 20	8 45		Arr. Lve		12 50	7 21
12 34	11 30		Lve Arr.		12 30	6 56
8 29	7 02		.....PHILA.....		8 36	11 36
			.....Atlantic City.....			
			.....NEW YORK.....			
			(Via Tamaqua.)			
10 40	10 30		.....NEW YORK.....		4 30	9 06
			(Via Tullis.)			
p. m	a. m		Arr. Lve.		a. m	p. m.

*Daily. †Week Days. 6 00 p. m. Sunday, 10 10 a. m. Sunday.

Philadelphia Sleeping Cars attached to Eastbound train from Williamsport at 11 30 p. m. and West-bound from Philadelphia at 11.36 p. m.

J. W. GEPHART, General Superintendent.

BELLEFONTE CENTRAL RAILROAD.
To take effect May 25, 1896.

EASTWARD. 12	8	2	STATIONS.	1	7	11	WESTWARD
PM	PM	AM	Ar. Lv.	A M		AM	PM
6 30	1 10	8 45	.....Bellefonte.....	6 30		10 30	4 21
6 20	1 02	8 40	.....Coleville.....	6 37		10 37	4 26
6 16	12 58	8 37	.....Morris.....	6 40		10 42	4 29
6 10	12 54	8 35	.....Wallinger.....	6 44		10 47	4 33
6 05	12 49	8 31	.....Runkles.....	6 50		10 55	4 38
6 02	12 46	8 28	.....Fillmore.....	6 53		10 58	4 42
5 57	12 41	8 24	.....Brisly.....	7 00		11 02	4 47
5 53	12 37	8 20	.....Waddle.....	7 05		11 05	4 52
5 50	12 35	8 18	...Scotia Crossing...	7 08		11 08	4 54
5 36	12 26	8 07	.....Krumrine.....	7 17		11 20	5 08
5 33	12 24	8 04	.....Struble.....	7 20		11 24	5 09
5 31	12 22	8 02	.....Inn.....	7 28		11 28	5 13
5 30	12 20	8 00	.....State College.....	7 30		11 30	5 15

Morning trains from Montandon, Williamsport Lock Haven and Tyrone connect with train No. 7 for State College. Afternoon trains from Montandon, Lewisburg and Tyrone connect with Train No. 11 for State College. Trains from State College connect with Penna. R. R. trains at Bellefonte.

‡Daily except Sunday.

F. H. THOMAS, Supt.

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Spring Mills.

John Clark, of Belleview, Ohio, is here visiting friends and relatives.

M. L. Smith and son Rossman, of Johnstown, visited his brothers the past week. Mr. Smith has been engaged in the installment business in the above town for fifteen years.

Daniel Slagle, the boss plasterer, had the misfortune to fall down stairs Friday morning breaking three fingers on his right hand, which he is now nursing.

The rain on Saturday caused a big flood in Penns creek, many cellars being flooded; George Dunkle's house was entirely surrounded by water.

J. O. Beaty and wife, have been visiting at the home of her father, John Wolf, at State College.

M. C. Rossman and wife, of near Pine Grove Mills, visited at the home of his father, John Albright.

Miss May Smith, left for Harrisburg, York, Baltimore, and Gettysburg, where she expects to visit for six weeks.

The Evangelical Association expects to hold a Christmas entertainment on Christmas eve in their church.

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Oak Hall.

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Transfer of Real Estate.

Almon L. Duck, to Michael B. Duck, dated Dec. 7 1901, for 179 acres, 102 perches; consideration. $5,000.00.

Sarah Duck, et baron to Almon L. Duck dated Dec. 2 1901. for 179 acres, 102 perches in Potter township; consideration, $5,000.00.

Joanna C. Musser, et al, to C. Alexander, dated Nov. 4. 1901, for tract of land in Penn township; consideration $10.00.

F. M. Ream, et ux, to Samuel F. Neese, dated Nov. 30, 1901, two tracts in Gregg township; consideration, $500.00.

A. R. Alexander, et al, to C. Alexander, dated Nov. 9. 1901, for 139 acres, 45 perches, situate in Penn township; consideration $100.00.

Ralph E. Stover, et ux to Wm. R. Stover, dated March 2. 1901 for two tracts of land in Haines township; consideration, $683.36.

H. B. Hering to C. Alexander, dated Oct. 17, 1601, for 80 acres and 63 perches situate in Penn and Miles townships; consideration, $80 00.

Mary A. Deininger, et ux, to E. D. Keen, dated Aug. 8, 1901, for two lots situate in Millheim Boro; consideration, $12 0.00.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

(The rate for announcement under this head is $1.50 when paid in advance, otherwise $2.25.—The REPORTER can not advocate the election of any Democrat prior to nomination by the regular caucus. All communications bearing on the subject will be charged for at the rate of ten cents per line, provided previous arrangements have been made.—ED.)

James Horner announces that he is a candidate for the office of Constable of Potter township, subject to the decision of the Democratic caucus of said district.

Philip Frank announces that he is a candidate for the office of Constable of Potter township, subject to the decision of the Democratic caucus of said district.

Snyder county will erect a monument in honor of D. S. Boyer, the first county superintendent of that county. Nearly one hundred and fifty dollars have already been raised for that purpose.

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Penn Hall.

C. M. Tice, of Howard, made a brief business trip to this section last Thursday.

Messrs. John Sheesley and Newton Zerby, are at present engaged in working in the axe factory at Reedsville.

John H. Gramley made a business trip to Mifflin county last week.

A singing class of thirty-five members was recently organized in the Lutheran church.

Some smarty got away with about three gallons of J. C. Condo's pudding one night last week.

D. W. Zeigler, the carpet weaver is at present rushed with orders for carpets and rugs.

Miss Elsie Ulrich, of Millheim, visited at the home of D. A. Ertel last week.

Mrs. Catharine Weaver left for an extended trip to Suntury on Saturday.

M. B. Duck, of near Spring Mills, was a caller last week.

All kinds of gloves and mittens from 10 cents up at Meyer & Musser's.

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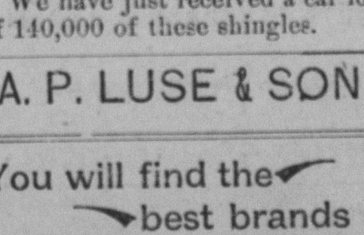

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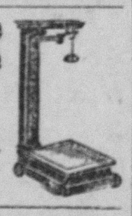

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"The demand was too much for you, was it?"

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Dramatic Criticism.

Two young men sat through the first act at a local theater, then adjourned to a neighboring tavern for refreshments. The acting was bad and would have excused the use of stimulants by any but the players. When about to re-enter the building only one could produce his return check.

"It's all right," said he of the check airily. "You remember him. He's with me."

"Yes" answered the gatekeeper, more doubtful than polite, "but he may have given his check to some other person."

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The drilling of seed is known to give better results than broadcasting. At Cornell University, when oats were broadcasted, the yield was thirty-seven bushels per acre. On another plot the seed oats were drilled in with an ordinary hand-wheel drill, the rows fifteen inches apart, and then worked with a wheel hoe between the rows. The result was sixty-one bushels per acre. This may seem to be too much labor, but as a large area can be worked with a wheel hoe in a day the xtra yield gave a fair profit.

THE USES OF FROST.

Almost every schoolboy in country places knows that it needs a frost to ripen the chestnut burrs, and the shells of the shagbark and other hickory nuts and the hazel nuts. The same is true of the butternut and the beechnut, not as well known in our markets, but much liked by the boys who can find them. The value of these nuts for food is scarcely appreciated as it should be. They are almost as rich in fat as cream, and most of them are better for being well dried after the frost has set them free. The farberry which makes most excellent jelly, is of but little value until it has had about a week of frosty nights and bright days, and the same may be said of the persimmon of the southern States, almost uneatable until it has had a frost, but a poor to good plum when the frost has ripened it and removed its acrid puckery flavor. The parsnips and turnips are much better flavored, not only after a frost, but even after being frozen, if they are thawed out gradually in the dark. Some of our wild or seedling apples, like the persimmon, are too puckery to be eaten raw or cooked until they have been exposed to a sharp frost, and then they become quite good flavored. Therefore we may welcome the coming of Jack Frost as useful at the proper time.—The Cultivator.

RATIONAL FEEDING.

We are constantly being told that growing chickens must be fed on such and such foods, and laying hens on some other kinds, each and every mixture being a conglomeration of various kinds of grains, and vegetables are carefuly cooked and fed by the clock. Strict rules regarding the feeding of fowls usually amount to nothing, since each and every flock of fowls must have that which the individual conditions require.

We must learn from experience what the fowls relish most, and supply that which nature in her bountifulness has failed to furnish. Cooked mashes do not produce the best results, principally because we do not know how to furnish them. If given early in the morning, even if in small quantities, some hens will get more than their allotted portion, and will soon grow fat and lazy. We have found that a feed of whole oats, scattered in straw so that the hens will work for it, makes the best first food; while the cooked mashes, if given at all, are best when fed late in the evening. It is important that the hens are kept busy, and there is no better way than to have them hustle for grain of some kind.—Home and Farm.

PACKING COMB HONEY IN SECTIONS.

The demand for comb honey runs to neat and clean sections of one-pound weight, ruther than the two-pound sections that were used at one time. In combs that have been used for brood raising, or that contain pollen, the honey is in small demand unless the price is made very low. Buyers do not want it, and the dealers do not like to handle it, because it must be cut out and weighed when in the full-sized frame, making a sticky, dirty job, with what seems like much waste. But no buyer wants less than a section that is supposed to hold a pound, and seldom insists on seeing it weighed if it is evidently just as the bees filled it. If so packed that the sections all appear nearly equally filled there is no grumbling or sorting over to find the best, and no lots rejected as not being as good as was bought last time or as neighbor Smith bought. Beekeepers who sell comb honey should remember this, but when the consumers can feel confident that the extracted honey is pure and unadulterated most of them will prefer to buy that. A few dealers and buyers may be induced to try a cheap article, but they seldom want any more, and it hurts the sale for good honey. Better sell such at wholesale, at a low price, to bakers, confectioners and others who can use it without injuring the reputation of good honey.

THE WISE MULE.

A man who has had much experience with mules says that measured by the standard of human wisdom, the mule has more intelligence, instinct, or whatever else you may choose to call it than the horse has ever shown. One of the best evidences of this is to keep out of danger and at this game his muleship has the horse "beaten by a mile," in the jargon of the race track. You may drive a horse until he drops dead from exhaustion, as was shown only the other day on one of the Illinois training grounds, but you will never find this the case with the progeny of the ass and the mare. He is an excellent judge of his own capacity, and not only will he stop when one attempts to drive him to an extreme gait, but he will also back up in the traces, if overladen. Another thing, you may drive a horse into water, or fire, and he will never attempt to soldier or remostrate, but with the mule he will go nowhere that there is a chance of getting burnt, nor will he advance just as soon as he sets foot on soggy soil, or quicksand.—Horse World.

CORN AS A FINISHING FOOD.

Bulletin 100 of the Department of Agriculture says: So long as a pig is making a fair gain on feed of which he gets one-half by grazing, it is usually profitable to keep him, but after he reaches salable maturity, is in marketable condition, and draws a large portion from the crib, he should be sold at once.

Usually it is better to have hogs ready for market as early as November, or December, and it rarely pays to feed through the winter for making pork. Summer feeding is cheap, while winter feeding is expensive. Pigs farrowed in the Spring should weigh from 200 to 250 pounds by Fall, and if the maket is not unusually depressed, it is better to let them go rather than feed through the cold weather and risk still lower prices in the Spring. If good grazing is assured through the entire winter, and grain is not too expensive, winter feeding is sometimes profitable on account of the higher pries which usually prevail in the Spring, but ordinarily it is better to winter only the breeding animals and the fall pigs.

For the last few weeks of fattening, corn is undoubtedly the best grain feed, as it produces a meat which is of good flavor, prime and wholesome. Hogs can be fattened cheaply on many other feeds, but the meat is greatly modified by the feed consumed during the last six or eight weeks.

Feeding for the finish should not begin more than ten or twelve weeks before the hogs are to be sold. Hogs which have had good grazing and enough grain feed to keep them growing well, take on flesh rapidly during the first few weeks of heavy feeding, but the longer the feeding is continued the slower and more expensive will be the gains.

GRASSHOPPERS AS POULTRY FOOD.

Enterprising farmers in Kansas and other parts of the West, where grasshoppers much abound, have discovered that the annual grassbopper crop can be utilized for profit in a very satisfactory way.

They have a machine operated by horse power which catches and kills these insects by the million and without poisoning them. They are then raked up, carted to a press, and made into bricks, exuding enough vicuous material in the process of solidfication to cement them together for purposes of transportation.

These bricks are found to be an ideal chicken food, and are in great demand among poultry raisers. Fowls eat it with avidity, thrive on it, and the demand is said to be greater than can be supplies. The new industry promises to exterminate the grasshopper; but whether for good or evil will not be known until it has happened.

SOFT COAL FOR HOGS.

My hogs are fed soft coal almost daily through the summer, and about all they will eat, which would be surprising to some farmers who never feed it in the amount a hog will eat. Growing pigs and shoats like a ration of coal as regularly as they do of corn, judging from the avidity in which they take to it. In winter I do not think it necessary to feed it so liberally, yet would fear no harm in supplying them with all they will eat at all times of the year. My herds will average upward of 125 head of all ages for the year, and I calculate that no less number bushels of coal slack will justify their needs. With a daily supply of coal, fresh water, a balanced ration and good sanitary surroundings, there is little danger of cholera or any other disease affecting them seriously.

A mere handful of coal thrown two or three times a year to your hogs cannot be considered a guard against disease, any more than one or two unordinary meals would induce health to the human system on a restricted kind of food for the same length of time. There is no substance in its natural state that a hog likes which would be harmful if free access is given at all times or at frequent intervals. In the mineral impregnation of coal the hog gets a certain element that is known better to his own instinct and composition for the beneficial results through mastication. I may be fooled and meet a surprise some day in the shape of hog cholera in my herd by placing such faith in coal, but for the present I will make it the "battle guard" against swine disease in all its forms until convinced of its inefficacy.—J. E. Haynes, in Swine Breeders' Journal.

Budapest's Fake Palms.

There is a demand in Hungary for Florida prepared palms, according to a Siberian prison. The cynical John Oliver Hobbles has a childlike faith in a success. Eleanora Duse is sustained by tiny image of a hideous Hindu god which she wears as a charm. Amalie Kussner, the miniature painter, wears a wet rag and then sticking it back inshcik's favorite Arab to propitiate the horsehair from the mane of some patrons will have detected a waiter to what seems to him to be a graceful a small copper crucifix wrought in a god of art.—*Washington Star.*

FASHION AND FANCY

SERVANTS GROWING SCARCE.

Mrs. H. M. Youmans, president of the Wisconsin State Federation of Women's Clubs, is said to hold the opinion that unless some radical changes are made, domestic service will soon become so expensive that only the wealthy will be able to secure servants. She states that the women who are willing to undertake housework are becoming fewer every year.

CARE OF THE HANDS.

Before washing the hands rub ove thoroughly with a few drops of pu glycerin, which will remove stains a dirt. Then wash with a good toi soap and tepid water. Also have a lution of borax always ready in a tle, and into the water you are g to wash in pour as much as will en it. If people would only use more and make it by dissolving i in boiling water, they would fi most cleansing and that it kee skin soft.

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PENNSYLVANIA BRIEFLY TOLD.

The Latest Condensed Dispatches From Many Points.

STATE WILL NOT ACCEPT $102,000.

Claim for Spanish War Expenses Cut Down at Washington, and Harrisburg Officials Are Dissatisfied—Opposition to the Proposed Secretary of Commerce by the State Grange —$50,000 for a School.

Pensions granted Pennsylvanians:—Alfred Masonhimer, Allegheny, $6; Nelson R. McNeal, Claysville, $8; John H. Fish, Philipsburg, $6; John Daniel, Monongahela, $10; Sidney W. Clark, Leroy, $17; John P. Jenkins, Six Mile Run, $10; James M. Floyd, Wilkinsburg, $8; Samuel Jordon, Moshannon, $17; Amanda Reeder, Turtle Creek, $8.

Thomas Williams was arrested at Carbondale, charged with shooting a boy and a girl, the children of Thomas Peters. The children were watching Williams through the window of their home when he drew a revolver, it is alleged, and fired two shots. One took effect in the boy's face and the other crashed through the girl's skull. Williams, it is said, was intoxicated when he fired the shots, and the children were watching his antics at the time.

Elizabeth Shannon was found frozen to death in a field near White's Church, two miles from Waynesboro. She left Waynesburg Saturday night in company with a huckster, driving in the direction of Blacksville. It is supposed she started for home after being several miles out of town and lost her way.

Miss Mattie Pringle, employed in McKeesport, committed suicide by swallowing poison.

Cholera in the vicinity of Orangeville within the past ten days has killed no less than 150 hogs.

Charles Hufford, aged 19 years, son of M. H. Hufford, of Clark's Summit, was drowned while fishing through the ice at Gravel Pond with a number of friends.

A freight wreck on the Philadelphia and Reading Railway occurred near New Columbia, due to a broken journal. Brakeman Davis, of Tamaqua, sustained a broken leg. Eight cars were derailed.

The twenty-ninth annual session of the Pennsylvania State Grange, adjourned at Johnstown. The report of the Finance Committee, which was approved, showed a balance in the Grange treasury of almost $8,000. A resolution was adopted opposing the appointment of a Cabinet officer to be known as Secretary of Commerce and Industry. The Legislative Committee submitted a supplementary report in which the State Grange was solicited to use its energy toward the enforcement of the law that forbids the adulteration of mill feed. A resolution recommending a taxation of all corporate and personal property at the same rate that the real estate is taxed for the benefit of a road improvement fund was adopted. A committee report favoring the extension of the free rural delivery system was unanimously adopted.

The State has returned to the War Department at Washington the warrant for $102,000, sent in part payment of the Spanish-American war claims for money spent by the State in preparing the Pennsylvania regiments for service. The total claim was about $400,000, but over half has been paid. The warrant just returned was sent in settlement of the claims outside of those called "miscellaneous." These claims were made some time ago, and when the warrant was received it was seen that a number of claims had either been cut down or disallowed. The State officials were not satisfied with this arrangement and the warrant was at once sent back. The War Department has since sent the State a courteous letter, saying that it will look into the matter again.

With a clothes line on the end of which was an iron hook, James Jones, a prisoner, escaped from the Pittsburg penitentiary. Jones was employed in the bakehouse. He escaped by making a hole through the roof, and then used the clothes line to scale the thirty-foot wall surrounding the prison.

A fire apparently of incendiary origin destroyed the large barn on the farm of John H. Miller at Millersville. Two mules, a number of hogs, farming implements, several thousand bushels of wheat and corn and a large crop of tobacco were consumed. The loss is $7,000.

The County Commissioners fixed the valuation of property in Pottsville at $6,174,021, a decrease of $159,438 from the valuation of last year. The decrease may make it necessary to raise the rate of taxation from seven and one-half to eight mills.

A gang of men employed by the Delaware & Atlantic Telephone Company, in building a line from Blooming Glen to Dublin, struck on account of the number of hours of work and the entire party left for their homes.

The Ernest Silk Mill, of East Mauch Chunk, has been sold to D. G. Dery for $75,000, subject to a mortgage of $30,000 in favor of trustees, who are residents of the Mauch Chunks.

While playing on a flat boat along the river at Muney, Theodore Brass, the 5-year-old son of Ollie C. Brass, fell into the water and was drowned.

The Meadeville Theological School has received a Christmas gift of $50,000 in the form of an endowment for the president's chair from an anonymous donor.

An order will soon be issued from National Guard headquarters announcing that the Spring inspections will begin in February.

Mrs. William Ueifert was badly gored by a bull on her farm in Mahanoy Valley.

Michael H. Smith, aged 28 years, was killed by a train at the West Third street crossing, South Bethlehem, of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway.

Denlinger & Charles' grist mill and a creamery adjoining, at Intercourse, were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of $4,000.

William Habbings, of Dent's Run, died at the hospital at Williamsport, of injuries received by being crushed between the bumpers of a log train.

A Boston Boy Edified.

It was at one of the summer schools that flourished up New England way every year, and the white-haired lady had just finished her address. Among the crowd surrounding her, swayed by a congratulatory spirit, was a little boy—a Boston boy. Presently, when he had his opportunity, he shook hands and said:

"I was very much pleased with your remarks. I have been waiting for years to hear you speak on this topic. It was one of the best addresses on the subject I ever heard."

The boy was nine years old, the subject of the address "Motherhood."

Fire Salvage.

It was in the Equity Court room, in the Federal building, before Judge Aldrich, and it was an insurance case, with a witness on the stand from way up in the Berkshire hills. He was tall and cadaverous, and one would never suspect him of being humorous. After a long description of the fighting of the fire by his fellow-countrymen, he was finally asked by one of the lawyers:

"Well, as a matter of fact, the building was completely destroyed, wasn't it?"

"Well, we managed to save the cellar!"

Judge Aldrich joined in the laughter, that was general and prolonged.

Easy Subtraction.

Ascum—I suppose you haven't had time to figure out yet how much your cashier took.

Bank President—Oh! yes, we knew in a very short time.

Askum—Why, I thought he took a great deal.

Bank President—Exactly. We merely had to count wht he had left.

Unable to Stand For Months Because of Sprained Ankles.

CURED BY ST. JACOBS OIL.

(From the Cardiff Times.)

Among the thousands of voluntary endorsements of the great value of St. Jacobs Oil for sprains, stiffness, and soreness, is that of Mrs. G. Thomas, 4 Alexandra Road, Gelli, Ysbrod, near Pontypridd, South Wales, who says:—

"It is with great pleasure that I add my willing testimony to the invaluable excellence of your celebrated St. Jacobs Oil, as experienced in my own case. I sprained both my ankles in walking down some steps so severely that I was unable to stand for several months. The pain I suffered was most severe, and nothing that I used helped me until I applied St. Jacobs Oil, when they immediately became better daily, and in a short time I was able to go about, and soon after I was quite cured. I am now determined to advise all persons suffering from pains to use this wonderful remedy, which did so much for me."

Mrs. Thomas does not enlighten us as to what treatment she pursued during the months she was unable to stand, and during which time she was suffering so much, but we venture to suggest that had she called in any well known medical man he would have at once have prescribed St. Jacobs Oil, for it has conquered pain upwards of fifty years, and doctors know there is nothing so good. The proprietors of St. Jacobs Oil have been awarded twelve gold medals by different international exhibitions as the premier pain-killing remedy of the world. The committees who made the awards were in each instance composed largely of the most eminent medical men obtainable. Mrs. Thomas evidently did not know the high opinion in which St. Jacobs Oil is held by almost every progressive medical man.

China is greater than Russia, Great Britain, Germany, France, Japan and the United States combined.

Naturally people want to be Well for Christmas, for nothing so promotes happiness and good cheer. Therefore, take Garfield Tea now; it cures all derangements of stomach, liver, kidneys or bowels; it cleanses the system and purifies the blood, thus removing the cause of rheumatism, gout and many chronic diseases. It is good for young and old and has been held in the highest repute for many years. Physicians recommend it.

If you write thirty words a minute your pen is traveling at the rate of 300 yards an hour.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES do not stain the hands or spot the kettle. Sold by all druggists.

The largest element in American population is Celtic.

$100 Reward. $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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Sold by Druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Conscience is a good deal like an alarm clock. We get so used to it that we don't mind.

Best For the Bowels.

No matter what ails you, headache to a cancer, you will never get well until your bowels are put right. CASCARETS help nature, cure you without a gripe or pain, produce easy natural movements, cost you just 10 cents to start getting your health back. CASCARETS Candy Cathartic, the genuine, put up in metal boxes, every tablet has C. C. C. stamped on it. Beware of imitations.

The best opportunities are those we make for ourselves.

Wish All a Merry Christmas!

And tell them of Garfield Tea, which cures indigestion and liver disorders and insures the return of many happy Christmas Dinners by removing the cause of dyspepsia and ill health.

We may all be generous to a fault when the fault .. our own.

Tetterine in Texas.

"I enclose 50c. in stamps. Mail me one or two boxes of Tetterine, whatever the price; it's all right—does the work."—Wm. Schwarz, Gainesville, Texas. 50c. a box by mail from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga., if your druggist don't keep it.

A first-class telescope costs $100,000 to build, and $90,000 to house appropriately.

A Christmas Philosopher:

He asks three great gifts—Health, Wealth and Happiness! Then give him Garfield Tea, it brings Good Health, promotes Happiness and makes the pursuit of Wealth possible.

A married man's love doesn't grow cold so long as his breakfasts are kept warm.

Yours for Health
Lydia E. Pinkham

How Truly the Great Fame of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Justifies Her Original Signature.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

It will entirely cure the worst forms of Female Complaints, all Ovarian troubles, Inflammation and Ulceration, Falling and Displacement of the Womb, and consequent Spinal Weakness, and is peculiarly adapted to the **Change of Life.**

It has cured more cases of **Backache** and Leucorrhœa than any other remedy the world has ever known. It is almost infallible in such cases. It dissolves and expels tumors from the Uterus in an early stage of development, and checks any tendency to cancerous humors.

Irregular, Suppressed or Painful Menstruation, Weakness of the Stomach, Indigestion, Bloating, Flooding, Nervous Prostration, Headache, General Debility quickly yields to it.

Womb troubles, causing pain, weight, and backache, instantly relieved and permanently cured by its use. Under all circumstances it acts in harmony with the laws that govern the female system, and is as harmless as water.

It quickly removes that **Bearing-down Feeling,** extreme lassitude, "don't care" and "want-to-be-left-alone" feeling, excitability, irritability, nervousness, **Dizziness, Faintness,** sleeplessness, flatulency, melancholy or the "blues," and backache. These are sure indications of Female Weakness, or some derangement of the Uterus, which this medicine always cures.

Kidney Complaints and Backache of **either sex** the Vegetable Compound always cures.

No other female medicine in the world has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles.

Those women who refuse to accept anything else are rewarded a hundred thousand times, for they get what they want —a cure. Sold by Druggists everywhere. Refuse all substitutes.

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For the round Lion heads cut from the fronts of LION COFFEE wrappers we mail FREE the most valuable presents ever offered.

Here are some of the LION'S LATEST GIFTS:

Colored Wax Crayons—scholars' joys,
Cornelian Agates for the boys;
Nice Bisc Dolls for little girls,
String Tops which the urchin twirls;
Box of Jackstraws—a lively game,
Fine Pictures, all well-known to fame—
"Childhood Days" is sure to please,
As will "Violets and Sweet Peas,"
"A Gift from Heaven" 's a gem of art,
"A Lively Tussle" shows puppies smart;
"Little Sweethearts" is very cute—
All are pretty, beyond dispute!

Best Steel Shears and Scissors too
Among the presents here for you;
Buttonhole Scissors we send along,
Ladies' Penknives or Jackknives strong;
Religious Pictures, rich and rare,
Cloth-bound Novels read everywhere;
Dictionaries for daily use,
And Tapestry Covers we can produce;
Subscription to "American Queen,"
Pocket Match Safes, the best yet seen;
Men's Neckties, varied in design—
Suspenders that are really fine!

And good Steel Razors, hollow ground,
With Leather Razor Straps are found;
A Wedding Ring, a Turquoise Ring,
An Opal Ring will pleasure bring,
A Garnet Ring for youth or man,
A Brooch-Pin made on neatest plan;
A Silver Bracelet for the wrist,
And Belt Buckles are in the list;
Hair Combs made of Tortoise-shell
Six Hairpins of the same, as well;
And Rubber Dressing Combs so fine,
With Hair Brushes—a varied line!

A Porcelain Clock surely charms,
We've also those that give alarms,
And Watches, too, for either sex,
Which man or woman can annex;
There's Handkerchiefs for man and wife,
Lace Handkerchiefs to last a life;
And, for the Ladies' special use,
Supporters, Garters, we produce;
A Shopping Bag, or Ladies' Belt,
Or Pocket-Book to hold the "geldt,"
And Silver Tea or Table Spoons
Are listed in our Premium boons!

A Kitchen Knife so sharp and keen,
Conspicuous in the List is seen,
And Linen Towels—housewife's pride,
For Lion Heads we will provide.
Tooth-Brushes that are strong and fine,
With bristles white and genuine;
And Silver Napkin Rings so neat
Their equal you but seldom meet;
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THE CENTRE REPORTER.

CENTRE HALL, . . . PENN'A.

DECEMBER 19, 1901.

Shoe News

of Interest to Everybody.

If our Shoe news fails to interest the whole family we must have a poor advertising writer, for we have the Newest, the Best and the Largest variety of Shoes to be found in Bellefonte. If you want points on what is in vogue for Men and Boys', Ladies and Misses' wear, just look at our special ideas in Winter Shoes. Come here first and you will buy here. Those who have been "Looking around" and then come here, buy here, too.

Mingle's Shoe Store,

BELLEFONTE, PA.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS.

Presbyterian—Centre Hall, 10.30 a. m.; Potters Mills, 2.30 p. m.

Reformed—Centre Hall, 7 p. m.; Union, 10 a. m.; Spring Mills, 2.30 p. m.

Lutheran—Spring Mills, morning; Centre Hall, afternoon; Tusseyville, evening.

Ross Ready for Business.

J. H. Ross, of Linden Hall, is ready to receive grain, etc., at his mill and do all kinds of custom work. His mill machinery is of the latest type and will do work entirely satisfactory to customers. Mr. Ross asks a share of your patronage.

No Paper Next Week.

In accordance with a custom since the founding of the Centre Reporter, seventy-four years ago, there will be no paper issued from this office next week, which will permit the employes to enjoy the Christmas season with the rest of mankind.

Change in Cabinet.

Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith resigned Tuesday afternoon. Henry C. Payne, of Wisconsin, is the new postmaster general. Mr. Payne is more favorable to Quay than was his predecessor, which will strengthen the Quay machine in Pennsylvania.

Spinsters' Reunion.

Do not forget it; if you do, you will regret it. The Spinsters promise to furnish a highly amusing entertainment and all should go to hear them. The characters are extremely funny. In Grange Arcadia Saturday evening. Admission, adults, 15 cents, children, 10 cents, reserved seats, 25 cents, chart at Kreamer & Son's store.

The Lime Kilns Sold.

The extensive lime kilns, leases, etc., of A. G. Morris, A. A. Stevens and J. King McLaughlin, in Huntingdon, Blair and Centre counties, also those of McCalmont & Co., and John Walker's, in Centre county, have been purchased by the new American Lime and Limestone Company, and after January 1 will be wholly operated by them.

Grand Reunion.

There will be held in the Spring Mills Academy at one o'clock sharp, December 30, 1901, a preliminary meeting to make the necessary arrangements to celebrate next summer Dr. D. M. Wolf's Golden Jubilee in teaching and to hold a grand reunion of the students and friends of the old Penn Hall and Spring Mills Academy. All friends interested are hereby urged to attend the meeting announced.

Christmas Sale.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will have a sale of Christmas goods in the lecture room of the Presbyterian church at this place, Friday evening, December 20, Saturday afternoon, and Saturday evening before and after the entertainment in Grange Arcadia. They have a fine assortment of articles suitable for Christmas gifts, such as books, passe-partout pictures, aprons, baby socks, cushions, fancy articles, etc. All are invited to come and see the goods.

Ex-Editor Dead.

George Frysinger of Lewistown, died Monday at the advanced age of eighty years. The deceased was a prominent figure in Lewistown. He founded the Hanover "Herald" in 1835. In 1839 he became proprietor of the Lebanon "Courier" which he conducted until 1843. He purchased the Lewistown "Gazette" in 1846, conducting that paper until 1883. He served as chief burgess of Lewistown four terms and was clerk to the County Commissioners several years.

Christmas—Giving,—Christian or Heathen?

"Who gives himself with his alms feeds three,—
Himself, his hungering neighbor, and Me."
Lowell.

These are the words of Christ in the Vision of Sir Launfal. Let us remember then as the gift-giving season of Christmas approaches; for our religion teaches us that the value of our benefactions is in

"Not what we give, but what we share,—
For the gift without the giver is bare."

The custom of exchanging presents on a certain day of the year is not modern, is not a product of Christianity; but has existed in almost all ages and among many different nations.

Even when observed at the Christmas season, the anniversary of the birth of the Founder of our religion, it may be heathen or it may be Christian. If we give, as Christ gave himself, from love, the act is Christian. If we give because others do, or because we expect to receive, or to win favor, or to forestall criticism, or to be thought generous, or from any possible selfish motive, the act is heathen; there is nothing Christ-like in it, and there is in it no evidence of the growth of Christian grace in our hearts. To connect such giving with our Savior is to dishonor him.

If a Christian present could speak it would say to the receiver: "The giver loves you, wishes you happiness, will try in all relations to treat you as a brother, would like to share all good things with you, and has sent me to remind and assure you of this." Our merchants, postmen, and express men say Christmas-giving is growing. Does it mean that Christ's religion is taking a deeper and stronger hold on the hearts of men? That His Spirit is moving with mightier power upon the face of the waters of our busy, bustling, booming civilization? We would like to think so; we would like to believe that in all our hurry men are taking more time to think of one another and are growing kindlier in heart and action. And we believe there is good ground for such a conclusion even amid the superabounding selfishness of the day.

But how is it with our own giving? Do we give as Christians or as heathen? Have we simply drifted into the custom without much thought about it except that we are doing, we hope, what is expected of us? Or do our gifts, large and small, mean that the sense of brotherhood is growing within us? Especially on the great anniversary of him who gave us his life let us give in his spirit. It is this giving of self with the gift that Christ has added to the custom of exchanging presents, and thus only do his followers honor him.

Deaths in Nearby Counties.

Union—Peter Rangler, in Lewisburg, aged eighty-three years. Henry Getz, of Lewisburg, aged eighty years. Rev. George Hunter, of the Evangelical Association charge, Lewisburg. He at one time was pastor of the Millheim charge. Age seventy-seven years.

Snyder—Samuel Wittenmeyer, of Middleburg, aged ninety-three years.

Miss Emma Zimmerman, of Dice, spent a week with her sister, Mrs. O. F. Mader, in this place. J. F. Felty, also of Dice, spent Sunday with Mr. Mader and family.

Horrible Accident.

William Hobbins, aged seventeen, fell under a log train at Dents Run, where he was working for J. F. Kidd on the Merrill contract and both of his arms were broken and his face was so crushed that it was an unrecognizable mass. His jaw was broken and his teeth knocked out, several ribs were broken and one of them punctured the lungs. The air escaping from the lungs forced its way through the tissues of the body which swelled up after the manner in which a balloon inflates.

He was taken to the Williamsport hospital where he died.

Hobbins was a brother of Annie Hobbins the pretty daughter of Thomas Hobbins, whose accidental shooting by her lover, John Keenan, near Clarence some time ago, was ventilated in the Centre county courts.

Candidates for County Superintendent.

The past few weeks have developed a number of candidates for the office of county superintendent of Centre county. As it stands today the field presents many uncertainties. The contestants occupy the following relative positions.

Centre, C. L. Gramley, Miles.

Right Guard, J. Dorsey Hunter, Unionville.

Left Guard, A. A. Pletcher, Walker.

Quarter back, James Gregg, Milesburg.

Right Half-back, James B. Strohm, Potter.

Left Half-back, Luther W. Musser, Walker.

Full Back, J. F. Harrison, Bellefonte.

Tackles and ends, not signed.

Head Coach, AMERICAN BOOK COMPANY.

Umpire and Referee, Remaining Book Companies.

Kline Royer, of Rebersburg, a son of D. D. Royer, has accepted a position in Philadelphia.

Ladies 10-button overgaiters, 25c.
Yeager & Davis.

SHIPPING CATTLE AND POULTRY.

Messrs. Bucher, Mitterling and Sherman Ship Three Car Loads this Week.

Before the week closes three car loads of cattle and poultry will have been shipped from the Centre Hall station.

Tuesday morning J. W. Mitterling shipped a fine lot of Milch cows. The cows were said to be the finest that left the Centre Hall railroad station for some time.

J. H. Bucher, of Rudy, Montgomery county, assisted by D. K. Geiss, shipped a car load of poultry Tuesday morning. In the shipment there were 700 turkeys and 600 chickens. Among others who contributed to the shipment were Messrs. George Gentzell, of Spring Mills, 60 turkeys; J. W. Mitterling, Tusseyville, 40 turkeys; Mr. Long, Brush Valley, 50 turkeys; Wm. Neff, Potters Mills; George Bitner, Mr. Homan, and Philip Auman. The latter had in his lot of fifteen turkeys a gobbler that weighed thirty-five pounds; several young gobblers weighed twenty-two pounds.

Home Wedding.

Wednesday at 11:30 a. m. a pretty home wedding took place at the home of Mrs. Mary J. Odenkirk, in this place, the contracting parties being Miss Jennie, daughter of Mrs. Odenkirk, and W. Abner Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Alexander, also of this place. The wedding march was rendered by Miss Grace Smith, and the ceremony was performed by Dr. W. H. Schuyler, of the Presbyterian church.

The bride was attired in a handsome gown of heliotrope lansdowne, and carried a bouquet of carnations.

Only the immediate friends, some thirty in number, witnessed the wedding ceremony.

Immediately after the ceremony a dinner was served, after which the bride and groom departed for Harrisburg and Philadelphia, where they will spend about two weeks of the honeymoon. In the spring the young couple will occupy the old Alexander farm at Earlystown and engage in farming.

The bride received many handsome and useful presents.

Entertainments.

The Spinsters' Reunion, Grange Arcadia, Saturday evening.

Elaborate Christmas and song service Sunday evening in the Reformed church.

Christmas service by the children in the Lutheran church, Tuesday evening.

Marriage Licenses.

H. R. Decker, Pitcairn.
Ida McCauley, Hublersburg.

R. K. Woods, Kirks Mills.
Hannah M. Way, Stormstown.

Wm. A. Alexander, Centre Hall.
Jennie T. Odenkirk, Centre Hall.

Charles N. Yearick, Walker.
Martha M. Leathers, Howard.

John N. Fatkin, Jersey Shore.
Edna C. Miller, Centre Hall.

Dauberman Will Sell Out.

The sale of the furniture business conducted by John Dauberman to John Krumbine is about completed, and by the end of the present week the latter expects to have charge of the furniture and undertaking business. Mr. Dauberman has been in business in Centre Hall for many years, but is reaching an age at which he prefers to lay aside business and devote his time to overseeing his Sinking Creek farm.

Home for Christmas.

Miss Kathryn Kerr Saturday will come home from Dickinson College to spend Christmas with her mother and brother in this place.

John Hosterman, a sophomore at Franklin and Marshall, will spend the Christmas season at home.

Miss Eloise Schuyler, who is teaching a public school at Pennsylvania Furnace, will be home on Christmas.

Hoffer Dale and Paul Murray, students at State College, and Prof. A. Miles Arney, connected with the same institution, will dine at home on Christmas.

See our slippers for Christmas presents. Yeager & Davis.

For sale—An unlined Buffalo robe.
W. A. BOAL, Centre Hall.

All kinds of slippers.
Yeager & Davis.

Fell Into Canal.

Mrs. Walker, wife of Taylor Walker, a farmer residing near Howard met with a serious accident Thursday morning. Mrs. Walker was going from he barn to the house. In one hand she carried a pail of milk and in the other a lantern. The farm house is along the old canal and Mrs. Walker made a misstep and fell, going down the bank of the canal. One of her legs was broken and she was otherwise bruised.

Photography.

The Centre Hall gallery will be open for business Friday, Dec. 20th and 27th inst. First class work guaranteed.
W. W. SMITH, Photographer.

FOR SALE—A twelve-horse power portable engine and boiler in good condition. Write the Howard Creamery Company, Bellefonte, Pa. jan16.

LOCALS.

Read S. M. Swartz's advertisement.

The Philippine tariff bill passed the house.

Watsontown heavy shoes for men and boys. Yeager & Davis.

George Harter, of the Red Mill, is ill with symptoms of typhoid fever.

A fine line of cotten and woolen bed blankets to select from at Meyer & Musser's.

Mrs. J. B. Kreamer, of Rebersburg, is spending the holiday season in Harrisburg and Philadelphia.

Miss Kate Fleisher, of this place, Saturday will go to Philadelphia to visit her brother Isaiah Fleisher.

Miss Mabel Boal Friday of last week returned from Philadelphia, where she had been visiting for some time.

D. J. Meyer was in Millersburg over Sunday, the guest of his son, Charles H. Meyer, who is conducting a livery business there.

Robert Hough, of Madisonburg, was seriously injured by a piece of wood striking him on the head when blasting a log with dynamite.

Harry Steinbarger and Miss Sadie Hummel, both of Lewistown, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sellers during the past week.

President Roosevelt is making himself agreeable to Senator Foraker, of Ohio, and giving Senator Hanna the slight in making appointments.

The Fatkin-Miller wedding is to take place today, Thursday, at 12 o'clock. Rev. Leisher, of Boalsburg, will pronounce the couple man and wife.

Rev. L. L. Logan, of the Shawville Methodist charge, Clearfield county, died last week, aged sixty-five years. Rev. C. W. Rishell assisted at the funeral ceremonies.

John Foreman, the news boy, is unable to make his daily deliveries of the morning papers on account of a bealing in his head. Guy Jacobs is acting as substitute.

An unusually large number of young men, not school teachers, from the south side, attended institute last week, all of which shows an increase of educational sentiment among the rising generations.

There was a whole lot of buttonholing done institute week. Many a man's back was stroked and patted after the hand had been heartily shaken in anticipation of important favors in the future.

There is even danger of the early bird swallowing the worm from the wrong end and not wishing to retain it, when the astute, highly polished bugs present themselves as food and servants next May.

J. B. Royer, of Centre Hill, was a caller Wednesday. Mr. Royer lives on the Burkholder farm at Centre Hill, and is one of the Reporter readers who calls promptly each year to advance his subscription.

Joe Runkle, plumber of Bellefonte, is doing work belonging to his trade at Runkle's Centre Hall hotel. Mr. Runkle is getting the hotel in good condition for entertaining the public during this severe winter weather.

Rev. D. J. Mitterling has been called from the Quincy, Michigan, charge to that of Petersburg, Illinois. The latter field is one of prominence in the Presbyterian church, and is a great step in advance. Rev. Mitterling is well known to many of the Reporter readers, having grown to manhood in Potter township.

Do not fail to come and see our Christmas goods. C. P. Long.

Cloth boots for old men.
Yeager & Davis.

Not far from Christmas!
Have you seen the
HOLIDAY GOODS
on display at
SWARTZ'S?
No store to beat it for variety in Penns Valley.
Dolls, Toys, Albums, Books for the Little Folks.
Fancy Toilet, Work, Photo, Jewel, Shaving, Collar and Cuff,
Glove and Handkerchief,
etc., Cases,
Work Baskets, Pictures,
French Plate Mirrors,
Hall Racks, Rugs, Table Covers,
Handkerchiefs, Neckties,
Mufflers and Mufferetts,
Slippers, Parlor Clocks,
Silverware,
Metal Novelties,
Vase Lamps,
Nice Big Lot of Chinaware,
Oranges, Bananas,
Figs, Dates,
Soft Shell Walnuts,
Pecans, Pea Nuts,
and a big lot of
Candy at Bottom Prices.

S. M. SWARTZ,

Tusseyville, ... Penn'a.

Sale Register.

W. C. BIBLE—Potters Mills, Dec. 21, at 1 p. m.; stoves, sewing machine, chairs, canned fruit, carpets, etc.

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